

## STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS

### What Is Structural Analysis?

In order to derive the **meanings** of words, it is helpful to analyze the **structure** of the words in our language:

- Is there a Latin or a Greek root word?
- Is the word a base word that can stand alone?
- Are there prefixes and suffixes added to the base word?
- What are the meanings of the affixes added to the base word?
- Is the word a shortened form of a longer word?

#### Examples:

- The word **cardiac** came from the Greek root **cardi** that means heart.
- The word **agriculture** came from the Latin root **agri** that means field.
- The prefix
- The suffix
- Gym is the



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#### Try This!

- 1] The word **hydrant** came from the Greek root **hydr** that means \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a] leaf
  - b] water
  - c] wind
  - d] tree
- 2] The word **liberty** came from the Latin root **liber** that means \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a] cage
  - b] prison
  - c] free
  - d] chains
- 3] Which word is the **shortened** form of cellular?
  - a] cellar
  - b] cell
  - c] celebrate
  - d] ceiling