

# 14 Latin words in English

Many English words come from Latin as whole words, e.g. 'axis', or using Latin prefixes, e.g. 'supernova'. Latin is often used for inventions or new ideas, e.g. aviation, and we use Latin phrases such as 'vice versa'.



## GETTING STARTED

Find the meaning and Latin word for the following.

**canine** meaning to do with dogs comes from canis meaning dog

1. **bovine** meaning \_\_\_\_\_ comes from \_\_\_\_\_ meaning \_\_\_\_\_

2. **equine** meaning \_\_\_\_\_ comes from \_\_\_\_\_ meaning \_\_\_\_\_

3. **feline** meaning \_\_\_\_\_ comes from \_\_\_\_\_ meaning \_\_\_\_\_



## MOVING ON

1. Find the word for these meanings.

Use  
the Latin  
to help  
you!

WORD	MEANING	LATIN ORIGIN
	a living thing that can feel and move	<i>animalis</i>
	a bluish green precious stone	<i>aqua marina</i>
	hooked like an eagle's beak	<i>aquila</i>
	a device with lenses for both eyes	<i>bini and oculus</i>
	a sphere or globe	<i>orbis</i>
	not hollow; with no space inside	<i>solidus</i>
	a substance used to give immunity against a disease	<i>vacca</i>

2. Which Roman gods or goddesses gave their names to these months?

January \_\_\_\_\_ March \_\_\_\_\_ May \_\_\_\_\_

3. What do these Latin phrases mean?

*bona fide* \_\_\_\_\_

*in situ* \_\_\_\_\_

*quid pro quo* \_\_\_\_\_

*ad infinitum* \_\_\_\_\_

*ad lib* \_\_\_\_\_