

# Digging out the roots

Many English words come from the same **root**, eg. annual, anniversary, and annuity come from the root *ann-* which is from the Latin word *annus* meaning 'year'.



## GETTING STARTED

Use your Oxford dictionary to link together the following words and find the root they have in common. The first one is done for you.

			ROOT
autobiography	monochrome	antibiotic	<b>bio</b>
chronicle	euphony	benefactor	
chromatic	polygamy	hypodermic	
dermatology	inspect	phonograph	
dictate	biology	transcription	
manufacture	scripture	synchronise	
bigamy	predict	polychrome	
telephone	factory	monogamy	
manuscript	chronology	spectacles	
prospect	epidermis	evocative	
invocation	vocal	dictation	



## MOVING ON

Match up the roots below with their correct meaning.

life

colour

speak

marriage

write

call

time

skin

make/do

sound/voice

look

chrom

derm

fac

voc

spec

script

bio

dict

chron

gam

phon

How many did you get right?

10 = NOVICE

20 = EXPERT

30 = MAESTRO