

UNIT 10: THE MORE THE MERRIER



Root Word	Meaning	Origin
plur	more	Latin
multi/poly	many	Latin/Greek
mega	million, great, large	Greek



plural

(adj) - 1. the form of a word that refers to more than one person or thing
*The word **teeth** is the **plural** form of the word **tooth**.*

(adj)- 2. relating to or made up of more than one kind or group
*We live in a **plural** society of many religions, ethnicities, races, and cultures.*

pluralism

(n) - a situation where people of different social classes, religions, races, etc., are together in a society but continue to have their different traditions and interests
*The **pluralism** in my community has taught me so much about other cultures.*

multiply

(v) - to increase greatly in number or amount; to become much more numerous
*I soon learned that my homework load would **multiply** in middle school.*

multidisciplinary

(adj) - involving two or more subject areas
*The **multidisciplinary** class was taught by math and science teachers.*

polygon

(n) - a two-dimensional shape that has three or more straight sides and angles
*A **polygon** can take many shapes depending on the number of sides.*

polytheistic

(adj) - describing a belief that there is more than one god
*The ancient Greeks were **polytheistic**, believing in many gods and goddesses.*

multitude

(n) - a great number of things or people
*A **multitude** of people gather in Time Square every New Year's Eve.*

multimedia

(adj) - using or involving several forms of communication or expression
*I created a **multimedia** presentation for school that contained music, video, and photographs.*

megalopolis

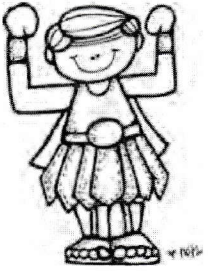
(n) - an area that includes several large cities
*Southern California is a **megalopolis** with cities like Los Angeles and San Diego.*

Megalosaurus

(n) - Megalosaurus was a large, meat-eating dinosaur
*The **Megalosaurus** weighed about 1 ton and was up to 30 feet long.*

10A: SENTENCE COMPLETION

DIRECTIONS: Complete the following sentences with the correct word from your list. Each word will be used only once.



- plural
- pluralism
- multiply
- multidisciplinary
- polygons
- polytheistic
- multitude
- multimedia
- megalopolis
- Megalosaurus

1. The mural was painted in a _____ of colors.
2. The population in a _____ can exceed 20 million.
3. The _____ form and singular form of the word deer are the same.
4. My teacher plans _____ lessons that involve more than one subject at a time.
5. The _____ society built a shrine for each of its gods.
6. _____ literally translates to "big lizard."
7. _____ is increasing in many communities as more and more people travel from various countries to live in the US.
8. Computers are _____ tools, providing information in various formats such as video, text, and photos.
9. We had to classify _____ based on the number of sides they had.
10. His responsibilities will _____ after he is promoted at work.

10B: YES or NO?

DIRECTIONS: Respond to the following statements by circling "Yes" or "No."

1. **Yes No** A **polytheistic** society does not worship any gods
2. **Yes No** A population of people can **multiply**.
3. **Yes No** A **megalopolis** is a large shopping mall.
4. **Yes No** **Multidisciplinary** work might connect history with math.
5. **Yes No** **Pluralism** in the US is very uncommon.
6. **Yes No** A circle is a **polygon**.
7. **Yes No** Add s to the end of all words to create the **plural** form.
8. **Yes No** A **multitude** of problems might help you relax and be calm.
9. **Yes No** A **Megalosaurus** probably had many predators.
10. **Yes No** **Multimedia** involves many forms of communication.

10C: CHOOSE TWO

DIRECTIONS: Choose two words that BEST explain or define the bold root word.

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| 1. plural | a. shark | b. feet | c. geese | d. cactus |
| 2. pluralism | a. diverse | b. different | c. similar | d. same |
| 3. multiply | a. decrease | b. increase | c. reduce | d. growth |
| 4. multidisciplinary | a. combining | b. one | c. single | d. many |
| 5. polygon | a. pentagon | b. oval | c. square | d. ray |
| 6. polytheistic | a. gods | b. worship | c. pretend | d. involved |
| 7. multitude | a. many | b. few | c. sparse | d. numerous |
| 8. multimedia | a. recognize | b. video | c. music | d. medium |
| 9. megalopolis | a. villages | b. many | c. farms | d. cities |
| 10. Megalosaurus | a. large | b. average | c. lizard | d. mammal |

10D: ANALOGIES

DIRECTIONS: Circle the analogy that BEST matches the bold words.

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| 1. OCTAGON : POLYGON
a) flower : daisy
b) triangle : circle
c) Triceratops : dinosaur
d) many : sides | 2. MULTIDISCIPLINARY : MANY
a) science : math
b) English : art
c) subjects : two
d) specialized : one | 3. SINGULAR : PLURAL
a) none : two
b) synonym : homonym
c) one : many
d) feet : fish |
| 4. MEGALOPOLIS : CITIES
a) large : great
b) many : towns
c) plants : garden
d) neighborhood : homes | 5. MULTIPLY : DECREASE
a) increase : divide
b) grow : shrink
c) improve : decline
d) product : sum | 6. POLYTHEISTIC : GODS
a) ancient : Greeks
b) monotheistic : god
c) Hindu : India
d) many : worship |
| 7. PLURALISM : UNIFORMITY
a) change : tradition
b) believers : doubt
c) cultures : religions
d) people : countries | 8. MULTIMEDIA : COMMUNICATE
a) airplane : travel
b) cook : stove
c) music : video
d) print : audio | |
| 9. MULTITUDE : PLENTY
a) numerous : absent
b) zero : countless
c) limited : few
d) myriad : scarce | 10. MEGALOSAURUS : DINOSAUR
a) trout : fish
b) butterfly : frog
c) large : lizard
d) dog : wolf | |



10E: TIME TO EXPLORE

DIRECTIONS: Sort the words from this lesson into the table below. Then find additional words with the same roots and place them in the appropriate columns/rows.

root	verb	noun	adjective	adverb
plur				
multi/ poly				
mega				

10F: APPLY WHAT YOU KNOW

DIRECTIONS: Answer the questions below.

1. How might a **megalopolis** and **pluralism** be related to each other? _____

2. What are the names of gods worshiped by the **polytheistic** ancient Greeks? _____

3. Make a **multidisciplinary** connection between two or more subjects. _____

4. Name three different **polygons** and the number of sides on each. _____

5. Look up a three or more synonyms for **multitude**. _____

UNIT 10: WORD & DEFINITION MATCH

DIRECTIONS: Cut out the pieces below and match the words with the correct definitions.

polytheistic	to increase greatly in number or amount; to become much more numerous
multitude	the form of a word that refers to more than one person or thing
multiply	describing a belief that there is more than one god
multimedia	a two-dimensional shape that has three or more straight sides and angles
plural	a great number of things or people
Megalosaurus	a situation where people of different social classes, religions, races, etc., are together in a society but continue to have their different traditions and interests
polygon	an area that includes several large cities
multidisciplinary	a large, meat-eating dinosaur
megalopolis	involving two or more subject areas
pluralism	using or involving several forms of communication or expression