

MASTERING ENGLISH VOCABULARY USING ROOT WORD; PART -10.

BENE -

The word root “Bene” finds its origins in the Latin word ‘bene’ meaning ‘well’ and is used to convey goodness, wellness, reverence, and honour or blessings.

The following words are based on the Bene root word;

1. **BENIGN** (adj.) - gentle, kind, harmless, innocuous.
 - E.g. a benign king, a benign condition. (not harmful in effect)
 2. **BENEVOLENT** (adj.) - one who is kind, friendly and helpful, generous.
 - An example of benevolent was Mother Teresa.
 3. **BENEFICIAL** (adj.) - advantageous, helpful, useful.
 - E.g., recycling of garbage is beneficial to the environment.
 4. **BENEFICIARY** (noun) - a person who gets help or advantage generally in the form of money.
 - For example, the beneficiary of a life insurance policy.
 5. **BENEDICTION** (noun) -blessings, boon
 - e.g., may God bless you.
(Bene; Latin means good, well).
 6. **BENEFACTOR** (noun) - a person who gives money or other help
(to a person or cause.)
 7. **BENISON** (noun) - a blessing.
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