



Root Word Series PDF Part 5

'CIDE' as a root means **killing or murder or cutting**

- **Suicide** - **killing** oneself
- **Matricide** - **killing** one's mother
- **Patricide** - **killing** one's father
- **Fratricide** - **killing** one's own brother
- **Infanticide** - **killing** a newborn
- **Feticide** - **killing** an unborn child
- **Insecticides** - chemicals which are used for **killing** insects
- **Pesticides** - chemicals which are used for **killing** pests
- **Homicide** - **killing** a human being

Pater or Patri as a root means **father or fatherhood or relating to fathers or fatherland**

- **Patriarchy** - a system (a family/ society) which is run by the male head (**father**) of the family
- **Patriot** - one who loves his nation (the word actually originated from Germany where they call their nation as **fatherland** instead of the motherland as in our country)
- **Compatriot** - people who belong to the same **nation** and live together
- **Expatriate** - people who share the same origin but are currently left in some other **nation**.
- **Paternity** - **fatherhood**
- **Paternal** - related to **father**

'ERG' as a root means **work, effect, disturbance, surprise, activity**.

- **Ergonomics** - the study of people's efficiency in their **working environment**
- **Synergy** - the combined power, profits, etc. that can be achieved by two organizations or groups of people working together rather than separately
- **Poltergeist** - a ghost or other supernatural being supposedly responsible for **physical disturbances** such as making loud noises and throwing objects about
- **Energy** - the strength and vitality required for sustained **physical or mental activity**
- **Erg** - a unit of **work or energy**, equal to the work done by a force of one dyne when its point of application moves one centimeter in the direction of action of the force
- **Allergy** - a damaging (**effect**) immune response by the body to a substance, especially a particular food, pollen, fur, or dust, to which it has become hypersensitive
- **Ergometer** - an apparatus which measures **work** or energy expended during a period of physical exercise
- **Ergograph** - an apparatus for measuring the **work** capacity of a muscle
- **Ergophobia** - is an abnormal and persistent fear of **work**

FA or FESS as a root means **speak, quality, character**

- **Confabulation** - the act of having a **conversation** or a discussion
- **Ineffable** - incapable of being **expressed in words**
- **Infamy** - shameful or criminal conduct or **character**
- **Defame** - to attack someone or someone's reputation, **character**, or good name by making slanderous or libelous statements
- **Fessed** - confess, own up
- **Fable** - a short story, typically with animals as **characters**, **conveying** a moral/ tell fictitious tales
- **Confess** - **declare**, admit that one has committed a crime or done something wrong
- **Fabulous** - extraordinary (**quality**), especially extraordinarily large
- **Fame** - the state of being known by many people, **quality**
- **famous** - known about by many people, **fame**
- **profess** - claim, often falsely, that one has (a **quality** or feeling)



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