SYBIL ANDREWS

Word Roots
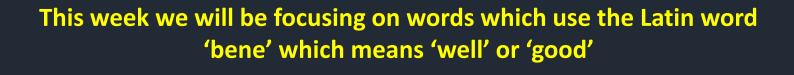
The "root" is the basic part of a word that has meaning and can have a prefix or suffix added to it.

prefix	<u>root</u>	*suffix*
Dis	appear	ance
Un	clear	ly

If you know the meaning of the Latin and Greek root words then you will be able to understand more words.

This week we will be focusing on words which use the Latin word 'bene' which means 'well' or 'good'

Bene = well/good

<u>Bene</u>volent means kind. ➡ *Christians believe that god is **<u>bene</u>**volent. He was a **<u>bene</u>**volent man, volunteering in his free time to help families in need.*

<u>Bene</u>ficial means useful, helpful or good. ➡ *Ladybirds are **<u>bene</u>**ficial to plants because they eat greenfly! The new vaccine will be **<u>bene</u>**ficial to many people.*

<u>Ben</u>ign means pleasant or not harmful. ➡ *She was a **<u>ben</u>**ign leader who treated people who worked for her fairly. The patient was happy when the doctor told her the tumour was **<u>ben</u>**ign*

We are kind   *We have courage*   *We take responsibility*

RECAP

1) What is the definition for coerce?

2) What is a synonym for coerce?

3) What does the ancient Greek word 'chron' mean?

4) What is an antonym for ableism?

5) Use the root word 'bene' to form a word?