

Detours



Roots



The root -dict-



-*dict*- is a Latin root that means "to say/tell."  
Fortune tellers try to predict the future, or tell the future.

Directions: All of these words have the same root. Underline the root with your yellow marker.

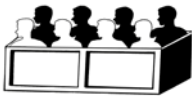
diction, dictionary, dictation, predict, dictator, verdict.

What does the root -dict- mean"

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There are two new words on this list: dictator and verdict.

How does the word verdict have the meaning "say" or "tell" in it?



How does the word dictator have the meaning say or tell in it?



Directions: Complete these sentences using one of the words from the first page.

1. The jury's \_\_\_\_\_ was that the man was not guilty.
2. Fortune tellers can sometimes \_\_\_\_\_ the future.
3. When I want to know what a word means, I look it up in a \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The ruler of my country has the final "say" about everything. He is a \_\_\_\_\_.
5. When giving our class a \_\_\_\_\_, the teacher pronounces every word clearly.
6. Eleanor mumbles. Her \_\_\_\_\_ is not good.