# Latin Roots

**duc/duct, flu, ver/vert**

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Use the Latin root to help figure out the meaning of a word.

- **deduct**: literally “lead down” or bring away; to take away
- **fluency**: quality of being fluent, or of flowing with language
- **universe**: literally “one turn”; all things that exist

Many of the words with the root **duc** drop the e and add t when the suffix -ion is added.

- **introduce** – e + t + ion = introduction
- **reduce** – e + t + ion = reduction

Many of the words with the root **vert** drop the t and add s when the suffix -ion is added.

- **divert** – t + s + ion = diversion
- **convert** – t + s + ion = conversion