“E” Words

écorché

Meaning.-
An anatomical representation of the body or a part of the body with the skin removed so as to display the musculature.

Root:
French écorchér, *to flay*
Latin ex-, off, away
Latin cortex, cortic-, bark, skin

ectogenous

Meaning.-
Able to live and develop outside a host, as a certain pathogenic microorganisms do.

Root:
Greek ektos, *outside*
Greek -genēs, *born*

egotism

Meaning.-

1. The tendency to speak or write of oneself excessively and boastfully.
2. An inflated sense of one's own importance; conceit.

Root:
Latin ego, *I*

élan

Meaning.-

1. Enthusiastic vigor and liveliness.
2. Distinctive style or flair.

Root:
Old French eslan, *rush*
Old French eslancer, *to hurl*
Old French es-, *out*
Old French lancer, *to throw*
Latin lanceāre, *to throw a lance*
Latin lancea, *lance*
Latin ex-, *out of, away from*

eldritch

Meaning.-

Strange or unearthly; eerie.

Root:
Old English el-, *strange, other*
Old English rīce, *realm*

en brochette

Meaning.-

On a skewer.

Root:

French en, *on*

French brochette, *stick, skewer*

encomiast

Meaning.-

A person who delivers or writes and encomium (praise); a eulogist

Root:
Greek enkōmiazen, *to promise*
Greek enkōmion, *encomum*
Greek enkōmion (epos), (speech) *praising a victor*

enmity

Meaning.-

Deep-seated, often mutual hatred.

Root:
Latin inimicus, *enemy*

enteritis

Meaning.-

Inflammation of the intestinal tract.

Root:
Greek enteron, *intestine*

epicycloid

Meaning.-

The curve described by a point on a circumference of a circle as the circle rolls on the outside of the circumference of a second, fixed circle.

Root:
Greek epi, *upon*
Greek kuklos, *circle*
Greek eidos, *shape, form*

epinephrine, epinephrin

Meaning.-

A hormone released into the bloodstream in response to a physical stress. Heart stimulant, vasoconstrictor, and bronchial relaxant.

Root:
Greek epi, *upon*
Greek kuklos, *circle*
Greek eidos, *shape, form*

eschew

Meaning.-

To avoid; shun. Escape

Root:

Greek epi, *upon*

Greek kuklos, *circle*

Greek eidos, *shape, form*

eutrophic

Meaning.-

Having waters rich in minerals and organic nutrients that promote a proliferation of a plant life.

Root:
Greek eutrophos, *well-nourished*
Greek eu-, *well*
Greek trephein, *to nourish*

excelsior

Meaning.-

Slender, curved wood shavings used specially for packing.

excrescence

Meaning.-

1. An abnormal outgrowth or enlargement, such as a wart.
2. A normal outgrowth, such as a fingernail or a beard.
3. A usually unwanted or unnecessary accretion.

Root:
Latin excrēscere, *to grow out*
Latin ex-, *out off, away from*
Latin crēscere, *to grow*

exegetic

Meaning.-

Of or relating to exegesis; critically explanatory.

Root:
Greek exēgeisthai, *to interpret*

exempli gratia

Meaning.-

For example.

Root:

Latin exemplī grātiā, *for the sake of example*

Latin exemplum, *example*

Latin grātia, *favor*

exemplum

Meaning.-

1. An example.
2. A brief story used to make a point in an argument or to illustrate moral truth.

Root:
Latin exemplum, *example*

expatiate

Meaning.-

1. To speak or write at length.
2. To wonder freely.

Root:
Latin ex, ex-, *out off, away from*
Latin spatiārī, to spread
Latin spatium, *space*

explicitness

(noun form of explicit)

Meaning.-

1. Fully and clearly expressed; leaving nothing implied.
2. Fully and clearly defined or formulated.
3. Forthright and unreserved in expression.
4. Describing or portraying nudity or sexual activity in graphic detail.

Root:
Latin explicāre, *to unfold*

expurgation

Meaning.-

To remove erroneous, vulgar, obscene, or otherwise objectionable material from (a book) before publication.

Root:

Latin expūrgāre, expūrgāt-, *to purify*

Latin ex, ex-, *out of, away from*

Latin pūrgāre, *to cleanse*

extremist

Meaning.-

One who advocates or resorts to measures beyond the norm, especially in politics.

Root:
Latin extrēmus, *outermost*