

**CLASSICS 224-1:
LATIN WORD ELEMENTS**
Spring 2014, 1st ½ sem -- TTh 12:30-1:45 -- Dr. Wine

If you know that

caput, capit-

is the base of the Latin word meaning “head,” you can understand what these English words have in common.

capitalize

capitellum

capitol

capitulate

capo

caporal

chapter

corporal (in the US Army)

decapitate

You will also learn why the word “capsule” has a different root.



.....find out what words truly mean by taking Classics 224

- Learn to figure out the meaning of words by breaking them into their Latin roots
 - ***Prefix + root + suffix = word***
- Learn etymologies, the history & origin or true story behind a word
- Understand your dictionary & learn how words are formed
- Find out about neologisms (newly coined words) & avoid malapropisms (ludicrous misuse of words)