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If you know that con (com)- means "together" or "with" or "very"

and that secut means "to follow"

and that -ive means "pertaining to"

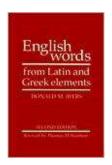
you can understand that consecutive means "pertaining to following along with something else"

and that **complication** means "something folded **together with** something else" and **conspicuous** means "characterized by being **very much** seen"

and that persecute means "to follow through or thoroughly" and subsequent means "following closely"

and that perspective means "pertaining to looking at something thoroughly" and executive means "pertaining to following out of something."

The aim of this course is for you to understand English words better and to increase your English vocabulary by studying how words are formed, learning Latin elements in English words, and improving dictionary usage.



Texts: Donald Ayers' *English Words from Latin and Greek Elements*, 2nd edition 0816508992

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and access to a good dictionary with etymologies given in the word entries (*American Heritage* and *Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary* are both good.)