

Word formation in Greek

Masculine

Profession or class:

-εύς	γραμματεύς	secretary, 3rd decl
-της, ου	ναύτης	sailor, 2nd decl

Agent:

-τήρ	σωτήρ	saviour, 3rd
-τώρ	ρήτωρ	orator, 3rd

Feminine

Quality:

-της, -τητος	φιλότης	friendship, 3rd decl
-σύνη	δικαιοσύνη	justice, 1st decl
-ια (short α)	σοφία, αλήθεια	wisdom, truth, 1st decl

Action or Process in the abstract:

-σις	ποίησις	poetry
	βάσις	step
-σια	ἐργασία	working
-μη/-μα	τίμη, τόλμα	honour, daring

Neuter

Place where activity occurs:

-τήριον	δικαστήριον	courtroom, 2nd decl
-εῖον	λογεῖον	place for speaking, 2nd decl

Diminutive:

-ιον	παιδίον	little child, 2nd
-ίδιον	οικίδιον	little house, 2nd

Result:

-μα	πρᾶγμα, ῥῆμα	action, saying
-ος	ψεῦδος	lie

Instrument:

-τρον	λύτρον	ransom
	λοῦτρον	bath
-θρον	βάθρον	step (for stepping on)

Adjective suffixes

General relation

-ικός	ναυτικός, η, ον	naval, skilled in seamanship
-ίος	δίκαιος, η, ον	just

Material or time

-ίνος	λίθινος, η, ον	made of stone
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Artitude:

-ίμος	μάχιμος, η, ον	fit for battle, warlike
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Verbal suffixes

Passivity/Ability (added to aor pass)

-τός	φιλητός, ή, όν	to be loved, worthy of love
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Necessity or obligation (added to aor pass)

-τέος	φιλητέος, η, ον	must be loved
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Condition or activity

-ευω	βουλεύω	to deliberate
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Action

-αζω	άτιμάζω	to dishonour
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-ιζω	φροντίζω	to consider
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