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Root

asterisk – n. a symbol \* that is used in printed text, sometimes to tell someone to read a note that can be found at the bottom of the page. *The words on the page were followed by an asterisk.*

asteroid – n. a minor planet; one of thousands of small bodies that circle around the sun. *Most asteroids are located between the planets Mars and Jupiter.*

astronaut – n. a person who travels into outer space in a spacecraft. *Neil Armstrong was the first astronaut to walk on the moon.*

astronomer – n. a person who studies stars, planets, and other objects in outer space. *Galileo, an astronomer, discovered the first four moons of Jupiter.*

astronomical – adj. (1) extremely large. *The electricity bill was astronomical during December because we hung so many Christmas lights.* (2) of or relating to astronomy. *The NASA scientists conducted astronomical research.*

**di-, bi-** two      **tri-** three

Prefix

dilemma – n. a situation in which you must make a difficult choice. *The country faces a major dilemma as we decide whether or not to go to war.*

diverse – adj. different from each other; made up of people or things that are different from each other. *I enjoy many hobbies that are as diverse as kayaking and sewing.*

bilingual – adj. able to speak and understand two languages; using or expressed in two languages. *My Spanish teacher is bilingual.*

trio – n. a group of three singers or musicians who perform together; a group of three people or things. *Jenny plays in a violin trio.*

trilogy – n. a series of three novels or movies that are closely related and involve the same characters or themes. *I'm right in the middle of an enthralling science fiction trilogy.*