**Roots: Lesson IV (Week 6)**

*Root Meaning Prefix Meaning*

1. ambi, amphi on both sides, around 1. ep-, epi- upon, after, on top of

2. therm, thermo heat 2. hyp-, hypo- under, below

3. center, centr center

4. hemer day

5. crit, cris separate, discern, judge

6. val, valere to be strong

7. taph tomb

8. the, thet, thek put, place

1. ambiguous – **doubtful or uncertain; unclear in meaning**

2. ephemeral – **lasting a day only; very short time**

3. hypochondriac – **person very concerned with health, often delusional**

4. thermocline – **region in body of water that divides the warmer layer from the colder layer**

5. ambient – **existing or present on all sides**

6. epicenter – **portion of earth’s surface directly above an earthquake**

7. hypocrisy – **pretending to be what one is not**

8. thermocouple – **device measuring how metals respond to heat**

9. ambivalent –**holding opposite feelings at same time; wavering**

10. epitaph – **inscription on a tomb or grave**

11. hypothermia – **subnormal temperature of the body**

12. thermonuclear – **changes in the nucleus of atoms, often requiring a very high temperature**

13. hypothetical – **imagined for purposes of example**

14. amphitheater – **large modern theater or stadium**

15. epithet – **insulting or demeaning word or phrase**