



Word Families

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Open a dictionary and look up the word 'semi'.

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Make a list of 5 of them below.



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Challenge – Write three sentences, each using one of the words you made today.

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____

Extra Challenge – Create a ‘made up’ word. Explain what the definition might be in the dictionary.

New word _____

Meaning _____



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|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| a) Semi-annual | k) Semicolon |
| b) Semiaquatic | l) Semiconducting/conductor |
| c) Semi-automatic | m) Semi-conscious |
| d) Semi-autonomous | n) Semicylinder |
| e) Semi-basement | o) Semi-darkness |
| f) Semi-bold | p) And so on... |
| g) Semibreve | |
| h) Semicircle | |
| i) Semicircular | |
| j) Semi-civilized | |



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