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Greek Word Parts & Context Clues

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1. Since some people couldn't travel, the company held a teleconference.

☐ important gathering ☐ secret vote ☐ phone or internet meeting

The prefix *tele* means...

☐ choice; option ☐ distant; far ☐ ruler; chief



3. Ecosystems include abiotic factors like water, not just living organisms.

☐ not living ☐ uninteresting ☐ less dangerous

The root *bio* means...

☐ science ☐ small; less ☐ life

4. Males and females of highly dimorphic bird species look nothing alike.

☐ incredibly loud ☐ having two forms ☐ very territorial

The root *morph* means...

☐ earth; land ☐ form; shape ☐ sound

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☐ heavy sweating

☐ sudden thirst

☐ low body temperature

The prefix *hypo* means...

☐ below; under

☐ above; high

☐ same

6. The dysfunctional printer kept leaving black streaks on everything.

☐ working improperly

☐ old and outdated

☐ inexpensive



☐ time

☐ yield; go

☐ believe; trust

8. Theodor Geisel is much better known by a pseudonym: Dr. Seuss.

☐ book title

☐ military rank

☐ fictional name

The root *nym* means...

☐ first

☐ born

☐ name

9. Mae is apathetic about most things, but she loves her aquarium.

☐ uncaring

☐ overly excited

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