

Greek prefix **mono-**

“one, alone, single”

TABLE 1

<i>EXAMPLE</i>	<i>MEANING</i>
monoplane	“an airplane with only one long pair of wings”
monotone	“having only one tone” (a monotone voice)
monorail	“single-railed track” (often “suspending vehicles”)
monatomic	“having one single atom” (as in helium)
monotheism	“believing in only one God”
monolingual	“using or knowing only one language”
monosyllabic	“having one syllable” (as in cat, pound, brain)
monogram	“initials combined into one logo”
monochromatic	“having or appearing to have only one color”
monoclonal	“derived from only one clone, or cell” (a monoclonal group of tumor cells)
monopoly	“one person owning all the goods”
monarch	“one ruler” (often a king or queen)
monogamy	“married to only one wife at a time”
monolith	“one, single, large block of stone”
monastery	“a place for monks to live alone” (in seclusion)
monotony	“tedious sameness or repetition”
monocle	“a single-lens eyeglass for one eye”
monoxide	“a molecule containing one oxygen atom”
monologue	“one person presenting a dramatic or comedic act”

Synonyms: Shades of Meaning

monotonous: boring, repetitive, tedious, dull

confidence: faith, belief, certainty, boldness, trust, assurance