

Table 1.13. Glossary of Latin (L) and Greek (G) word parts relevant to sharks.

Root Word	Alternate Endings	Derivation	Meaning
<i>acanth</i>	-a, -o	Greek	A spine, thorn
<i>alope</i>	-c	Greek	A fox
<i>aeno</i>	-		Terrible
<i>ambl</i>	-y	Greek	Blunt
<i>bi</i>		Latin	Two, twice, double
<i>carchar</i>	-o	Greek	Jagged
<i>cerd</i>	-al	Greek	Cunning; a fox
<i>cet</i>	-a, -us	Greek	A whale
<i>cirr</i>	-us	Latin	A curl of hair
<i>clope</i>	-c, -x	Greek	A fox
<i>cuvier</i>			The name of a famous scientist
<i>eu</i>		Greek	Good, well
<i>gale</i>	-a, -i	Greek	A weasel, a cat
<i>ginglym</i>	-o, -us	Greek	A hinge
<i>glauc</i>	-o	Greek	Gray; bluish-gray
<i>is</i>	-o	Greek	Equal
<i>lamia</i>		Greek	A vampire-like monster
<i>long</i>	-i	Latin	Long
<i>man</i>	-u	Latin	A hand
<i>maxim</i>		Latin	Largest, greatest
<i>melan</i>	-o	Greek	Black
<i>micr</i>	-o, -us	Greek	Small
<i>obesus</i>		Latin	To eat away, to devour
<i>odon</i>	-t, -to	Greek	A tooth
<i>opsi</i>	-o	Greek	Appearance, sight
<i>oxy</i>	-s	Greek	Sharp; acid
<i>prion</i>	-o	Greek	A saw
<i>prot</i>	-e, -o	Greek	First, original
<i>pter</i>	-o, -um	Greek	A wing; a feather; a fin
<i>rhin</i>	-o	Greek	A nose
<i>rhina</i>		Greek	A shark; a file or rasp
<i>rhynch</i>	-o, -us	Greek	A snout or beak
<i>sphyr</i>	-o	Greek	A hammer or mallet
<i>spin</i>	-a, -i	Latin	A spine, thorn
<i>squal</i>	-us	Latin	A dogfish
<i>stom</i>	-a, -ato, -o	Greek	A mouth
<i>tri</i>		Latin	Three
<i>typ</i>	-o, -i	Greek	A type
<i>ur</i>	-a, -o	Greek	A tail
<i>vulp</i>	-es, -i	Latin	A fox; cunning
<i>zygaen</i>	-a	Greek	A hammerhead shark
<i>-inus, -ina, -inum</i>		Latin	Likeness; belonging to
<i>-aceus, acea, aceum</i>		Latin	Of; pertaining to