

gen-

Latin and Greek root  
meaning birth or  
beginning or origin

progeny

n. the children born  
to a person or animal

generous

adj. willing to give money,  
help, or time freely as if  
born wealthy

genius

n. someone born with  
exceptional ability

gender

n. the sex a person  
or animal is born,  
male or female

genteel

adj. good manners like those  
of someone born to an  
upper-class background

**generic**

adj. typical or like anything born into the same group

**generation**

n. all of the people who were born at approximately the same time

**genesis**

n. the time or circumstances of something's coming into being

**genuine**

adj. being born of unmixed breeding or coming from a true source

**indigenous**

adj. people, animals, and plants born to a particular area