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| Am I rootless, or am I free? |
| Word/phrase  | Translation | Usage/memory aid |
| rootless  | heimatlos; wurzellos | * People with different cultural backgrounds often feel rootless.
* rootless root (n)
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| to refer to sth  | sich auf etw. beziehen | * Our neighbour always refers to his wife as ‘the old woman’.
* to refer to sth reference (n)
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| term  | Bezeichnung; Begriff | * technical term
* term = expression
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| to coin  | prägen *(einen Begriff/eine Münze)* | * to coin a word/an expression
* to create (a word, a coin)
* to coin coin (n)
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| to fit the bill  | die Kriterien erfüllen | I didn’t fit the bill for the job. |
| to merge  | verschmelzen | * The new hotel merges into the landscape perfectly.
* Lat. mergere
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| to omit  | auslassen; übergehen | She omitted the parts of the story that made her look bad. |
| identity  | Identität | * You must show your passport to prove your identity.
* identity to identify with (v)
* Fr. identité (f)
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| liberating  | befreiend | * It feels liberating to get rid of old clothes and things.
* liberating to liberate (v)
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| to reinvent oneself  | sich neu erfinden | * By changing her name she tried to reinvent herself.
* to reinvent to invent (v) invention (n)
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| to be attached to  | verbunden sein mit | * I’m so attached to my hometown that I can’t imagine living anywhere else.
* to be attached attachment (n)
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| sense of belonging  | Zugehörigkeitsgefühl | If you feel attached to a group of people, you have a sense of belonging to this group. |
| tie  | Bindung; Verbindung | * Our family has ties to the US.
* tie to tie (to) (v)
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| blessed  | gesegnet | * Some people are blessed with several talents.
* blessed blessing (n)
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| nursery (school)  | Vorschule; Kindergarten | In Germany children usually start nursery school at the age of three. |
| multiple  | vielfältig; vielfach | * There are multiple ways to be successful in life.
* multiple to multiply (v)
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| grateful  | dankbar | * grateful = thankful
* grateful gratitude (n)
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| to handpick  | sorgfältig auswählen | Very rich or very famous people usually handpick their friends. |
| mutual  | gegenseitig | * Their partnership is based on mutual respect.
* Fr. mutuel/-le
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| curse  | Fluch | * curse blessing
* curse to curse (v)
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| established  | bekannt; etabliert | * known and respected
* established establishment (n)
* Fr. établi/-e
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| recent  | neueste/-r/-s; letzte/-r/-s | * Recent events are things that happened only a short time ago.
* Fr. récent; Lat. recens
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| to tend to  | neigen zu; tendieren zu | * rather wanting to do a certain thing
* to tend to tendency (n)
* Lat. tendere
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