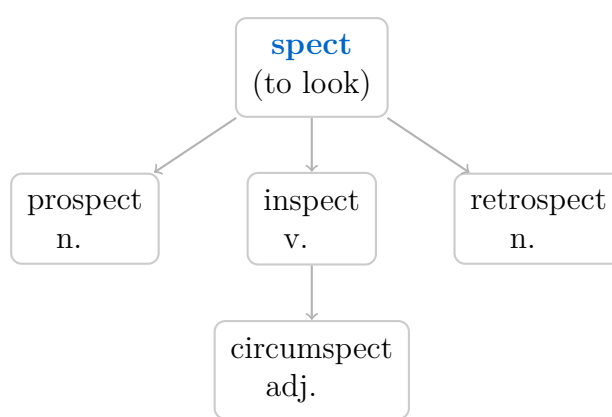


Daily Lexicon: Etymological Threads

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Morphological Web of the Day



Lexical Items

1. **prospect**
noun / pr spekt/
Likelihood or possibility of some future event occurring.
e.g., The prospect of relocating abroad excited her.
2. **inspect**
verb / n spekt/
Look at closely to assess condition or quality.
e.g., Officials arrived to inspect the new facility.
3. **retrospect**
noun / retrəspekt/
4. **circumspect**
adjective / s rkəmspekt/
Wary and unwilling to take risks.
e.g., He remained circumspect about the merger talks.
5. **panorama**
noun / pænə ræmə/
An unbroken view of an entire surrounding area.
e.g., We admired the mountain panorama from the summit.

Semantic Distinctions

- ◇ **Inspect vs. Scan:** *Inspect* implies detailed scrutiny; *scan* suggests quick, surface-level observation.

- ◇ **Prospect vs. Perspective:** *Prospect* refers to future potential; *perspective* denotes a mental viewpoint.

Etymological Note

All listed terms derive from Latin *specere* ("to look"). The prefix *circum-* (around) in *circumspect* metaphorically suggests looking around before acting—hence caution.