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# Lexicon: *Mirrodin* edition


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The goal of [The Lexicon](#) is to teach players the meanings of some of the more obscure words we use in card names. While many of the offbeat names (like "Groffskithur") are simply made up, we often dig around dictionaries for real little-used and archaic words for inspiration. Check out these Lexicon entries drawn from *Mirrodin* cards.

**au·gur**   
noun

1. One of a group of ancient Roman religious officials who foretold events by observing and interpreting signs and omens.
2. A seer or prophet; a soothsayer.



**em·py·ri·al** *variant of empyreal*   
adjective

1. Of the sky; celestial.
2. Elevated; sublime.



**gal·van·ic**   
adjective



1. Of or relating to direct-current electricity, especially when produced chemically.
2.
  - Having the effect of an electric shock: a *galvanic revelation*.
  - Produced as if by an electric shock: *The new leader had a galvanic effect on our morale*.



**he·ma·tite**   
*noun*

1. A black or blackish-red to brick-red mineral, essentially Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, the chief ore of iron.

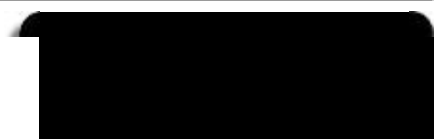


**mes·mer·ic**   
*adjective*

1. attracting and holding interest as if by a spell: *she had a warm mesmeric charm*.



**trans·fix**   
*transitive verb*



1. To pierce with or as if with a pointed weapon.
2. To fix fast; impale.
3. To render motionless, as with terror, amazement, or awe.



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