# Prefixes and Suffixes!



# What is Prefix and Suffix?

PREFIX A prefix is a set of letters that is added to the BEGINNING of a word to change its meaning.

SUFF1X A suffix is a set of letters that is added to the END of a word to change its meaning.

## What do you see?



### Did you know?

That the carrot that we eat is the *root* of the plant!!!

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But why are we talking about carrots!??

Because, in the same way the carrot has a root and a stem..

Some words have a root word and a prefix and a suffix as the stem!

These words can be *nouns, verbs, or adjectives.* 

#### FRIENDLY

#### UNFRIENDLY





Here, UN is a PREF1X!

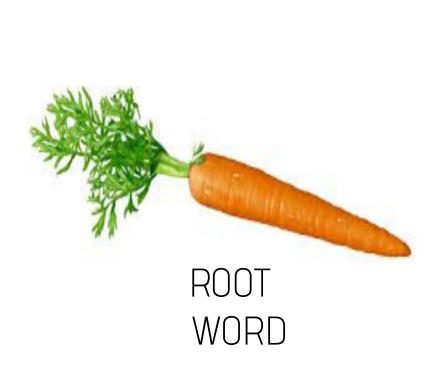
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Here, ABLE is a SUFF1X!

#### **PREFIXES**



ROOT WORD - FILL
WITH PREFIX - REFILL,
FULFILL

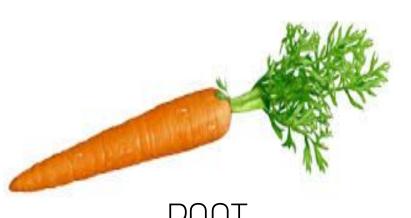
ROOT WORD - WRITE
WITH PREFIX - REWRITE

ROOT WORD - **PLACE**WITH PREFIX - **REPLACE** 

Prefix	Meaning	Example word
dis-	not, opposite of	disagree
in-, im-	not	incorrect, impossible
mis-	incorrectly	misunderstand
re-	again	redo (do again)
un-	not	uninteresting
under-	below, lower, not enough	underwater



#### **SUFFIXES**



ROOT WORD ROOT WORD - **PRESENT**WITH SUFFIX - **PRESENTABLE** 

ROOT WORD - GOVERN
WITH SUFFIX - GOVERNMENT

ROOT WORD - **NATION**WITH SUFFIX - **NATIONAL** 

#### **ADJECTIVE SUFFIXES**

Here are more examples with the suffix "-able" or "-ible" (depending on the root word):

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present ----> presentable
comfort ----> comfortable
depend ----> dependable
reach ----> reachable
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"-able" is an example of an adjective suffix. Any time you see a word ending in "-able", it is an adjective.

#### **ADJECTIVE SUFFIXES**

Suffix	Meaning	Example word
-able, -ible	able to be	<b>suit</b> able
-ful	full of	beautiful
-less	not having, without	toothless



#### **NOUN SUFFIXES**

Some suffixes are noun suffixes. They always make a noun.

For example, "-ment" talks about an "action" or a "process":

enjoy ----> enjoyment treat ----> treatment govern ----> government

#### **NOUN SUFFIXES**

Suffix	Meaning	Example word
-dom	place or state of being	freedom, kingdom
-er	a person who does	worker
-ment	action or process	payment
-ness	state of being	happiness



#### LET'S PRACTICE PREFIXES!



- 1. I just can't believe it! The story is believable!
- 2. No, that answer is \_\_\_\_correct. It is wrong.
- 3. Let's look at this information again. We should \_\_\_\_view it before the test.
- 4. I saw Allison just a moment ago, but now I can't find her! It seems that she \_\_\_\_appeared!
- 5. Oh, I'm sorry, I didn't hear you correctly. I \_\_\_\_understood you.
- 6. The subway does not go over the land like a norma train. It moves \_\_\_\_ground.



#### **ANSWERS**



- 1. I just can't believe it! The story is *unbelievable!*
- 2. No, that answer is *incorrect*. It is wrong.
- 3. Let's look at this information again. We should *review* it before the test.
- 4. I saw Allison just a moment ago, but now I can't find her! It seems that she *disappeared*!
- 5. Oh, I'm sorry, I didn't hear you correctly. I *misunderstood* you.
- 6. The subway does not go over the land like a normal train. It moves *underground*.



#### LET'S PRACTICE ADJECTIVE SUFFIXES!

The first woman is very tired. She wants to rest!

The second woman can't stay still. She always wants to move! She is rest





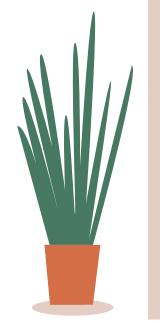




#### **ANSWER**

1. The first woman is very tired. She wants to rest

The second woman can't stay still. She always wants to move! She is *restless*.









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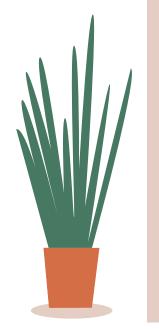




#### **ANSWER**

2. The first dog isn't cute. He's a little scary!

The second dog is very cute! He's *adorable!* 







#### LET'S PRACTICE ADJECTIVE SUFFIXES!

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But Melanie can't remember anything! She's very forget\_\_\_\_!







#### **ANSWER**

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But Melanie can't remember anything! She's very *forgetful!* 









#### LET'S PRACTICE PREFIXES!





- 2. Sir Alan is King Richard's best knight. He is brave and strong. He is the most important knight in Richard's whole king\_\_\_\_!
- 3. Harshita is my best friend. She is wonderful! The best thing about her is her kind\_\_\_\_. She is always so nice to people!
- 4. The kids always have fun together. They never disagree or have an argu\_\_\_\_.



#### **ANSWERS**



- 1. I teach science in big a university. I am a physics **teacher**.
- 2. Sir Alan is King Richard's best knight. He is brave and strong. He is the most important knight in Richard's whole *kingdom*!
- 3. Henrietta is my best friend. She is wonderful! The best thing about her is her *kindness*. She is always so nice to people!
- 4. The kids always have fun together. They never disagree or have an *argument.*



## Some words can have a Prefix AND a Suffix

UNCOMFORTABLE REPLACEMENT UNSUCCESSFUL UNLIKABLE DEACTIVATION



Root word Suffix **Prefix COMFORT** UN **ABLE PLACE** RE **MENT SUCCESS** UN **FUL** LIKA **BLE** UN **ACTIVATE** ION DE

#### **SUMMARIZE**

A prefix is a set of letters that is added to the BEGINNING of a word to change its meaning.

**PREFIX** 

We will create a simulation based, task oriented quiz mapped to the context of fluorescent lighting

**SUFFIX** 

PREFIX: dis-, in-, re-, un-, under-

**SUFFIX:** -able, -full, -less, -ness, -dom, -ment

COMMON WORDS

#### **THANK YOU!**

For any questions, feel free to walk up to me in the English Department.

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