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PREFIXES AND SUFFIXES

Affixes

Group of letters attach **before** and **after** the root word.

un+accept+**able**= **unacceptable**

↑
(root word)

Prefixes

A group of letters placed **before** the root word.

Suffixes

A group of letters placed **after** the root word.

PREFIX

- ⦿ A Prefix is an affix which is placed before the stem of a word.
- ⦿ **Example:**
- ⦿ Prefix = 'fix' is a stem and 'pre' is a prefix which changes the meaning of the stem and creates a new word.
- ⦿ Antibiotic
- ⦿ Symphony
- ⦿ Hemisphere

Prefix	Meaning	Example
non-, un-, im-, in-, il-, ir-	not, opposite	Nonsense, unhappy,
re-	again, back	revisit, replay
mis-	wrongly, not	misunderstand
de-	reverse, remove, out of	destruction, department
co-, com-, con-	with, together	construct, computer
dis-, dif-, di-	separation, away, apart	disease, dissect

Common Prefixes

	Prefix	Meaning	Example
1	dis-	not	dislike, disable, disorganize, dishonest, disappear,
2	non-	not	nonfat, nonsense nonpayment, non-native,
3	un-	not	unhappy, unpaid , uncover , unreal
4	in-	not	indirect, incomplete, inexpensive , inactive
5	im-	not	impossible, immoral,
6	under-	Lower/less	undercharge, underpaid ,undercooked , undergraduate
7	re	again	reread, rewrite, review, replay, redo
8	pre-	Before/earlier	prepaid, preview, prewar, predate
9	mis-	Bad/badly	misuse, mislead, misspell, misunderstand
10	out-	Out-outside	outdoors, outsource, outspoken, outlaw

ante-

Antecedent
Antedate
Antemeridian
Anterior

anti-

Anticlimax
Antiaircraft
Antiseptic
Antibody

auto-

Autopilot
Autobiography
Automobile
Autofocus

circum-

Circumvent
Circumnavigate
Circumscribe

co-

Co-pilot
Co-worker
Co-exist
Co-author

com-/con-

Companion
Commingle
Contact
Concentrate

contra-

Contradict
Contrast
Contrary
Controversy

de-

Devalue
Deactivate
Debug
Degrade

dis-

Disappear
Disagreeable
Disbar
Dissect

en-

Enclose
Entangle
Enslave
Encase

ex-

Extract
Exhale
Excavate
Ex-president

extra-

Extracurricular
Extramarital
Extravagant

<i>Latin Roots</i>	<i>Meaning</i>	<i>Examples</i>
-anima-, -anim-	life; mind	animal, animate
-aqua-	water	aquarium, aquanaut
-cid-, -cis-	cut off; kill	homicide, concise
-cor-, -card-	<i>heart</i>	coronary, cardiac
-fum-	smoke; scent	fumigate, perfume
-gen-	race; family	genealogy, progenitor
-leg-	law	legal, legislate
-noc-, -nox-	night	equinox, nocturne
-tract-	pull; draw	attract, subtraction
-voc-, -vok-	voice; call	vocal, revoke

PREFIXES IN ENGLISH

anti_ (against)	dis_ (opposite of)	in_ (not)	co_ (with)
Antisocial Antigravity Antibiotic Antidepressant Antifreeze	Dislike Dishonest Distant Disagree Disappear	Incorrect Inaccurate Inadequate Inability Incomplete	Co-worker Copilot Cooperation Coexist Cosign
extra_ (more than)	fore_ (before)	mis_ (wrongly)	mono_ (singular)
Extracurricular Extraordinary Extra-terrestrial	Forecast Forehead Foresee Foreword Foremost	Misinterpret Misfire Mistake Misunderstand Misconduct	Monotone Monobrow Monolithic Monopoly Monolingual
non_ (not, without)	sub_ (under)	trans_ (across)	un_ (not)
Nonsense Nonentity Nondescript Nonactive Nonexistent	Submerge Submarine Sub-category Subtitle Subconscious	Transport Transnational Transatlantic Transact Transform	Unfinished Unfriendly Undone Unknown Unlike
uni_ (one)	post_ (after)	inter_ (between)	ex_ (former)
Unicycle Universal Unilateral Unanimous	Postmortem Postpone Postnatal Postscript Posterity	Interact Intermediate Intergalactic Interstellar Interlock	Ex-president Ex-boyfriend Exterminate Exterior Extension

SUFFIXES

- Suffixes are the letter/s which are added at the end of a stem to make new words.
- Most of the affixes that are used in the suffixed words have no meaning of their own

- **Example:**

Readerer = 'read' is the stem of the word which has different meaning and different grammatical function in a sentence but the affix 'er' changes both the meaning and the grammatical function of the word to make a new word.

SUFFIX

- ⦿ Readinging
- ⦿ Readable
- ⦿ Creator
- ⦿ Creation
- ⦿ A suffix can make a word /stem of a word a noun, verb, adverb or adjective.
- ⦿ A suffix can also make a transition in the degree of an adjective or in the tense of adverb.

SUFFIXES IN ENGLISH

-ious/-ous (Characterised by)	-age (Action/ process)	-al (Pertaining to)	-wise (In relation to)
Pious Jealous Religious Ridiculous	Drainage Orphanage Marriage Salvage Outage	Fictional Regional Musical Accidental Logical	Otherwise Likewise Clockwise Weatherwise Crosswise
-ity/-ty (Quality of)	-ment (Condition)	-ness (State of being)	-ship (Position held)
Extremity Validity Enormity Veracity Security	Enchantment Argument Achievement Encouragement Excitement	Heaviness Highness Sickness Rudeness Happiness	Friendship Hardship Internship Citizenship Membership
-sion/-tion (State of being)	-ate (Become)	-ful (Notable for)	-ic/-ical (Having the form)
Position Promotion Cohesion Affection Ambition	Mediate Collaborate Create Eradicate Detonate	Handful Playful Hopeful Skilful Thankful	Psychological Hypocritical Methodical Nonsensical Musical
-ive (Having the nature of)	-less (Without)	-ly (Related to/quality)	-ward, -wards (Direction)
Inquisitive Informative Attentive Abortive Active	Meaningless Hopeless Homeless Mindless Spotless	Softly Slowly Happily Crazily Madly	Towards Afterwards Backwards Inward Outwards

Examples of suffixes

- Examples of verb:
 - En : deep – deepen, dark – darken
 - Ize : centre – centralize, system – systematize
 - Fy : pure – purify, just – justify
- Example of Adverb :
 - Ly : lucky – luckily, equal – equally
- Example of opposites / antonyms:
 - Less : use – useless, help – helpless

Examples – Opposites / antonyms :

- Un : happy – unhappy, lucky – unlucky
- Mis : lead – mislead, fortune – misfortune
- Non : co-operation – non-cooperation, violence – non-violence
- Dis : honest – dishonest, honour – dishonour
- In : discipline – indiscipline, correct – incorrect
- Ir : regular – irregular, religious – irreligious
- Ig : noble – ignoble,
- Im : moral – immoral, patient – impatient
- Il : legal – illegal, literate – illiterate

Suffix	Meaning	Example
-age	A result	Wreckage
-ance	An action or state	Importance
-ant	A person	Asistant
-ee	A person	Referee
-ence	An action or state	Difference
-er/or	A person	Teacher
-ery	A type or place of work	Bakery
-ess	Makes a feminine form	Waitress
-ful	As much as will fill	Spoonful
-ing	An action or result	Painting
-ion	A process, state or result	Decoration
-ism	A belief or condition	Judaism
-ist	A person	Florist
-ment	An action or state	Measurement
-able	Able to be	Inflatable
-en	Made of	Woolen
-ful	Full of	Beautiful
-ible	Ability	Flexible
-ish	A little	Greenish
-less	Without	Careless
-like	Similar to, like	Lifelike
-ous	Full of	Joyous
-some	A tendency to	Quarrelsome

thank
you!

The image features the words "thank you!" written in a black, cursive script. The text is set against a white rectangular background. The letters have a gold outline and are surrounded by numerous small, gold, four-pointed stars and dots. The overall style is elegant and celebratory.