

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 with a gold outline. The text is set against a white rectangular background. The word "thank" is on the top line, and "you!" is on the bottom line. The exclamation point is large and prominent. The entire graphic is surrounded by numerous small, gold, four-pointed stars and dots of varying sizes, creating a festive and celebratory atmosphere. The white background is centered on a dark gray background that has a subtle curved gradient on the right side.