

Words with Prefixes



un-

dis-

in-

re-

Read and Say

Basic

1. *disaster*
2. *unknown*
3. *discover*
4. *unable*
5. *inform*
6. *increase*
7. *report*
8. *dispute*
9. *insist*
10. *remind*
11. *insult*
12. *regard*
13. *install*
14. *dismiss*
15. *relax*
16. *unaware*
17. *disagree*
18. *unskilled*
19. *revenge*
20. *display*

READ the sentences. **SAY** each bold word.

The forest fire was a **disaster**.
 The cause of her illness is **unknown**.
 Did you **discover** what happened?
 The baby is **unable** to walk yet.
 Please **inform** me of any change.
 The cost of milk will **increase** by ten cents.
 She wrote a science **report**.
 Will the losing team **dispute** the score?
 I **insist** that you come to the party.
Remind me to water the plants if I forget.
 You will **insult** him if you go home now.
 She holds her sister in high **regard**.
 Did you **install** a new radio in your car?
 Mr. Lee will **dismiss** us early for recess.
 We like to **relax** at the beach.
 I was **unaware** of the change in plans.
 People with different ideas may **disagree**.
 The **unskilled** worker will need training.
 We must win this game to **revenge** our loss.
 The artist will **display** his paintings.

Think and Write

A **base word** can stand alone. A **prefix** and a **word root** are word parts. They cannot stand alone. A prefix is added to the beginning of a base word or a word root. It adds meaning to a word.

PREFIX + BASE WORD: **unable** **disagree**
 PREFIX + WORD ROOT: **insist** **report**

- What four prefixes do you see?

Now write each Basic Word under its prefix.

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|---------------|--------------|
| Review | 23. rebuild |
| 21. unsure | 24. disorder |
| 22. dislike | 25. uneven |

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| Challenge | 28. unnecessary |
| 26. inquiry | 29. inflate |
| 27. unfortunate | 30. responsible |

Independent Practice



Spelling Strategy

A **prefix** is a word part added to the beginning of a base word or a word root. A prefix adds meaning. *Un-*, *in-*, *dis-*, and *re-* are prefixes. Find the prefix and the base word or the word root. Spell the word by parts.

Word Analysis/Phonics Complete the exercise with Basic Words.

1–5. Write five words by changing the underlined prefixes.

1. import
2. disable
3. recover
4. result
5. decrease



Vocabulary: Definitions Write a Basic Word that fits each meaning.

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|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 6. to send away | 10. to show |
| 7. to fail to agree | 11. to make less tense |
| 8. to cause to remember | 12. lacking skills or training |
| 9. not familiar | 13. to argue or debate |

Challenge Words Write the Challenge Word that completes each sentence. Use your Spelling Dictionary.

14. The boating accident was due to _____ circumstances.
15. Strong winds and high waves were _____ for the accident.
16. The passengers were able to _____ their life raft.
17. Would the Coast Guard conduct an _____?
18. As no other boat was involved, an investigation is _____.

Spelling-Meaning Connection

Insist contains the Latin word root *sist*, meaning “to stand.” To insist is to “stand on” your wish or request. Other words with this root are *assist*, *resist*, and *consist*.

insist
assist
resist
consist

19–20. Write *resist*. Then write the Basic Word that also has the word root *sist*.

Word Analysis

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Vocabulary

6. _____
7. _____
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11. _____
12. _____
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Challenge Words

14. _____
15. _____
16. _____
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Spelling-Meaning

19. _____
20. _____

Alphabet Puzzler

3. _____
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How Are You Doing?

Write each spelling word as a family member reads it aloud. Did you misspell any words?



Dictionary

Word History English has borrowed words from many languages. As words pass from one language to another, they often change in meaning. Read the history of *disaster*.

History

Disaster was formed from the Latin prefix *dis-*, meaning “away from,” and the Greek word *ast*, meaning “star.” *Disastro* meant “bad luck brought by the stars.” When *disaster* came into English, it meant simply “something that causes destruction.”

Practice Read the history of each word below in your Spelling Dictionary. Write the earlier form of the word, the language it came from, and what it meant.

1. robot
2. clue

1. _____
2. _____

Review: Spelling Spree

Alphabet Puzzler Write the Basic or Review Word that fits alphabetically between the two words in each group.

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| 3. unpack, _____, unsound | 12. inspire, _____, instead |
| 4. inside, _____, inspect | 13. disobey, _____, disorganize |
| 5. under, _____, unit | 14. instrument, _____, interest |
| 6. reason, _____, recover | 15. dispose, _____, dissolve |
| 7. displace, _____, dispose | 16. rest, _____, review |
| 8. reject, _____, relay | 17. unarmed, _____, unbroken |
| 9. dimple, _____, disappear | 18. repair, _____, rescue |
| 10. disk, _____, dismay | 19. unsteady, _____, untie |
| 11. remember, _____, rent | 20. dislike, _____, disorder |

Proofreading and Writing

Proofread for Spelling Use proofreading marks to correct eight misspelled Basic Words in this report.

Example: Be sure to ^{remind}remind everyone about winter safety.



News Bulletin

We just received this riport about a disastar that was avoided

today. Unaware of a patch of thin ice, a young girl fell into

Saw Pond. Without regard for his own safety, an unnown

man crawled out on the ice. He threw his coat toward her and

pulled her to safety. When more help arrived, the rescuer left.

The child's parents have been unabel to discover who he is. If

you know him, please informe the police. As a result of this

accident, Mayor Ames said that all parents must increese

their children's understanding of the danger of thin ice.

Write a News Report

Write a short news report. Answer the questions *Who? What? When? Where? Why?* and *How?* Try to use five spelling words. "Broadcast" your news to classmates.



Proofreading Tip

Read your paper aloud to a partner to help you find missing words.

Basic

1. disaster
2. unknown
3. discover
4. unable
5. inform
6. increase
7. report
8. dispute
9. insist
10. remind
11. insult
12. regard
13. install
14. dismiss
15. relax
16. unaware
17. disagree
18. unskilled
19. revenge
20. display






Review

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Challenge

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Proofreading Marks

-  Indent
-  Add
-  Delete
-  Capital letter
-  Small letter

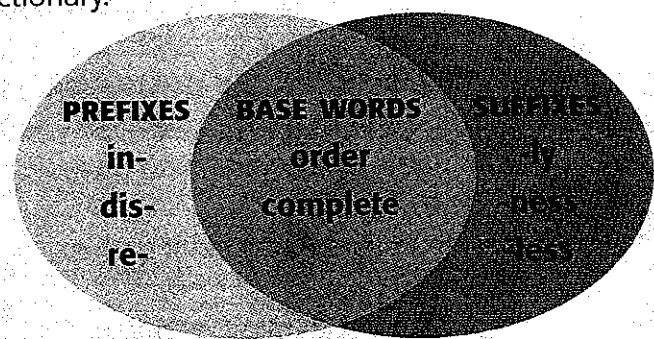
Expanding Vocabulary

Spelling Word Link
uneven
disorder

Building Words with Prefixes and Suffixes You can add different prefixes and suffixes to base words to build new words. Look at the words you can build with *even*.

PREFIX	SUFFIX	BOTH
uneven	evenly evenness	unevenly unevenness

Look at the diagram. Add different prefixes and suffixes to *order* and *complete* to write new words. To make most of the new words, add one prefix or one suffix. For some words, add one prefix and one suffix. For two new words, you must add two suffixes. Use your Spelling Dictionary.



order

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

complete

7. _____
8. _____
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10. _____
11. _____

Work Together With a partner write five sentences, using any five of the words you built with *order* and *complete*. Write on another sheet of paper.

Real-World Connection

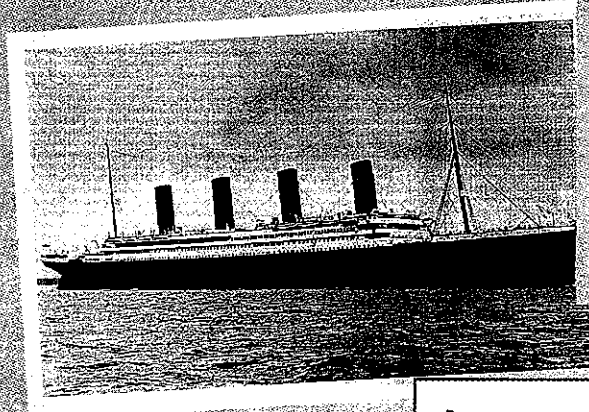
Social Studies: The *Titanic* All the words in the box relate to the *Titanic*. Look up these words in your Spelling Dictionary. Then write the words to complete this paragraph.

Spelling Word Link

disaster

TITANIC THOUGHT UNSINKABLE!

The *Titanic* was so well built that it was thought to be (1). It featured every kind of (2) for the pleasure of its (3). No one could have imagined that the *Titanic* would strike a floating body of ice, or (4), and sink into the (5) on its first voyage. An SOS, the (6) signal for help, was sent; but the rescue ship arrived too late. Some people managed to escape by (7), but those who died far outnumbered the (8).



The *Titanic*

- iceberg
- passengers
- luxury
- survivors
- lifeboat
- emergency
- Atlantic Ocean
- unsinkable

Try This Challenge

Yes or No? Write *yes* if the underlined word is used correctly. Write *no* if it is not.

9. Lianne put an iceberg in her juice.
10. The siren alerted everyone to the emergency.
11. The diamond necklace was a luxury.
12. The accident's survivors had been frightened.

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★ Fact File

Icebergs are huge bodies of ice that float in the sea. Most of the iceberg lies below the water. Icebergs are very dangerous to ships.