

SOME WORDS

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FOR
Upper Grade Wordsmiths

HAVE
PREFIXES

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Some words have antonyms, or opposite meanings. Change a word's meaning to its opposite meaning with the addition of a prefix.



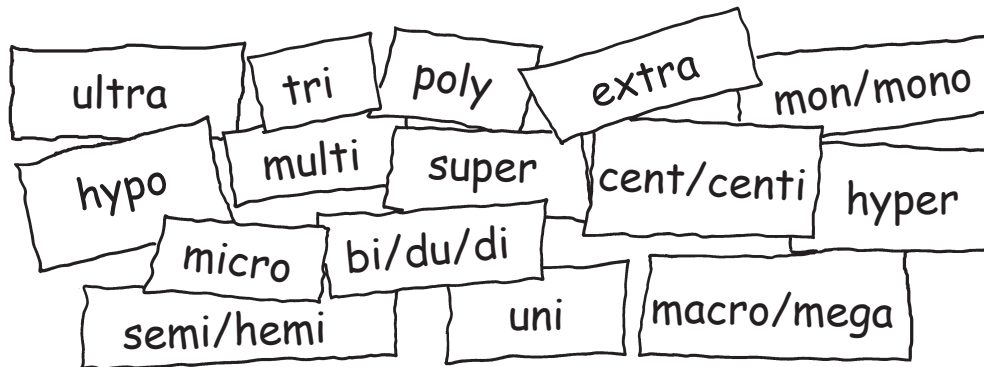
In the first column, write the appropriate prefix to change the word to its antonym. Then find the new word's synonym in the second column and write it on the line next to the word.

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| 1. _____ legible | _____ | A. vanished |
| 2. _____ certainty | _____ | B. true |
| 3. _____ appeared | _____ | C. freshen |
| 4. _____ formal | _____ | D. unreadable |
| 5. _____ patiently | _____ | E. disobedience |
| 6. _____ fiction | _____ | F. illogical |
| 7. _____ treated | _____ | G. appealing |
| 8. _____ odorize | _____ | H. casual |
| 9. _____ rational | _____ | I. abused |
| 10. _____ social | _____ | J. unworkable |
| 11. _____ resistible | _____ | K. doubtfulness |
| 12. _____ possible | _____ | L. unfriendly |
| 13. _____ compliance | _____ | M. intolerantly |



Find and write more antonym pairs that were made through the addition of a prefix. Then collect antonym pairs created from two separate base words.

Some words have prefixes that express size, number, quantity, or amount.



Use the Prefix Reference to help you complete each sentence to show that you know the meaning of the prefix in the underlined word.

1. A century is celebrated _____
2. A musical duet is _____
3. A triple play in baseball is _____
4. A monotone voice is _____
5. A semiannual sale is _____
6. A biplane is _____
7. A microscope is _____
8. A unicorn is _____
9. An extraordinary event is _____



Explain in writing how the prefix contributes to the meaning of these words: *centimeter*, *triathlon*, *unify*, *binoculars*, *dual*, *triangle*, *duplex*, *monopoly*, *bicycle*, *triplets*, *centennial*, *hypersensitive*, *supermarket*, *hemisphere*, *megaphone*, *minuscule*, *polygamy*, *semifinals*, and *uniform*.

Proof It! Circle any spelling, capitalization, usage, punctuation, or grammar errors in each line. Make corrections on the line.

English have an extremely large number of words. It's vocabulary is quiet extensive! To make it still more complicated, over hafe of the most frequently used words have more then one meaning. For exampel, a *state* is a division of the Untied States, a condition or mood, or a verb meaning to speak or say. Prefixes can be affixed to words too change or add meaning. Lets start with the word *state*. Ad the prefix "inter" that can mean "between." this combination results in the word *interstate*. What does it mean. It may mean "between two U.S. states" or perhaps "between moods." It maybe that it means "talking between two people." Whom knows?

1. _____
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Check out the meaning of *interstate*. Then write an explanation for the difference in meaning between *interstate* and *intrastate*.

Next, make a list of words that have more than one meaning. Exchange papers with a partner. Now each of you try to affix prefixes to the words! Not only will your list of words grow, but so will your vocabulary!

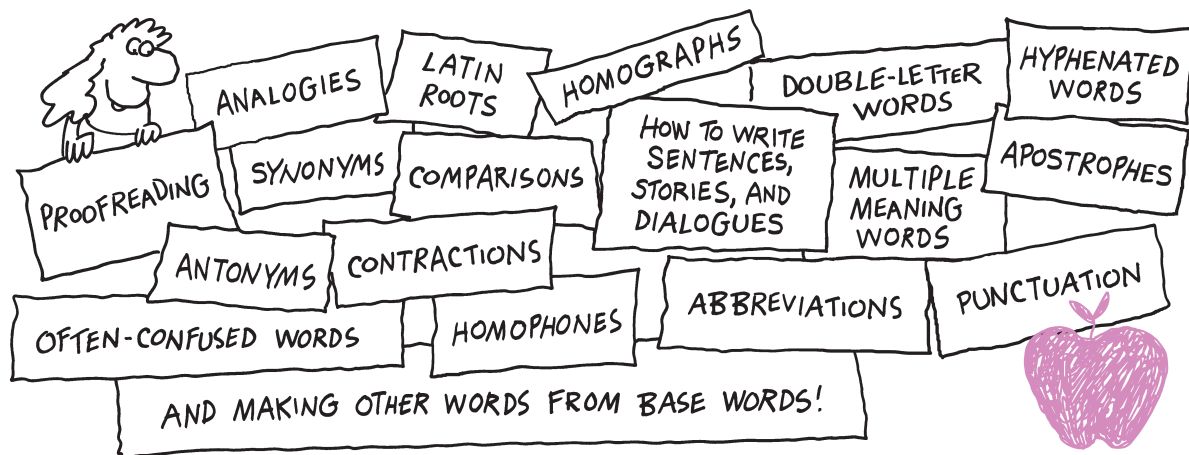
Students,

Here is why this vocabulary-building book is a good one for you. In every subject you study, there are words. The more words you know, the easier these subjects become and the easier it is to learn new things. Word power pays off!

Over the years, scientific studies have been done in classrooms like yours. The studies prove that students who know and understand the most words do the best in school. Often, they do better their whole life. And you can learn words!

Some words have prefixes. In this book, you work with these little word parts that are often attached to the front of words. Then when you look at words in all your school subjects, you will know about prefixes—you'll know what they do and understand how you can use them yourself to build words. This mini-course will help you make words with prefixes make sense.

As you learn about prefixes, other word skills are woven into the lessons I've created for you. You'll make discoveries about—



You can write to me. I'd like to hear from you. I live in Arizona and, like you, continue to learn more about words every day. It is a lifelong hobby!

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