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 Instruction: Lets Understand Prefix

A prefix is a group of letters added before a word to make a new word with a different meaning.

Example: un + happy = unhappy (means not happy)

How Prefix Changes Meaning

Prefixes help us make new words that tell **opposite**, **negative**, or **repeated** actions. Look at the table below and learn how meanings change:

Prefix	Example Word	New Word	Meaning
un-	happy	unhappy	not happy
dis-	agree	disagree	not agree
in-	correct	incorrect	not correct
im-	possible	impossible	not possible
ir-	regular	irregular	not regular
re-	make	remake	to make again
pre-	view	preview	to see before
mis-	place	misplace	to put in wrong place
non-	stop	nonstop	without stopping
over-	cook	overcook	to cook too much
under-	ground	underground	below the ground

Remember

- Prefix always comes before the word.
- It changes the meaning of the base word.
- Learn common prefixes to build strong vocabulary.

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 **Instruction:** Prefixes are written at the beginning of a word.
Their purpose is to change the meaning of the word.

Prefix	Meaning	Example	Your Example
re	to do again	rewrite	
bi	two of something	bicycle	
dis	not	dislike	
un	not	unprepared	
pre	before	prehistoric	
over	too much of something	overwhelmed	
mis	wrong	mistook	

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Instruction: Form a new word to complete the sentence. Choose the correct prefix to add to the word in the parenthesis. Write the new word in the space provided.

ex- inter- mis- over- under- super-

1. I had to rush to the pay center to settle our (due) electric bill for two months.

2. On my way to school, it was traffic, and I met our (principal) in grade school.

3. However, Mr. Rivas (took) me for one of his band members, Vincent Roxas.

4. Vincent Roxas was a singing (star) in our school because of his powerful voice.

5. He had won several (school) singing competition and even had gone to a national championship.

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 Instruction: Drag and drop the words under the correct prefix to form the opposite.

UN
IN
IM
DIS

MATURE	TIDY	USUAL	PERFECT
CORRECT	AGREE	MOBILE	POSSIBLE
SATISFIED	HAPPY	APPEAR	ACCURATE
EXPENSIVE	MORAL	REGARD	RESPECTFUL
IMPORTANT	FORMAL	HEALTHY	APPROPRIATE
DEPENDENT	HONEST	PRACTICAL	COMFORTABLE

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 Instruction: Write the correct prefix in the blank to complete the sentence.**mis-**
=
wrong**dis-**
=
not**pre-**
=
before**un-**
=
not, opposite**re-**
=
again

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1. Theo was ____ happy when he lost his toy.
 2. Lydia needs to ____ read the book.
 3. The airplane ____ appeared into the clouds.
 4. Sara ____ heated the oven before she started baking.
 5. Mark ____ understood what the teacher said.
 6. John ____ likes lemons because they are so sour.
 7. Stacy's new shoes don't fit so she needs to ____ turn them.
 8. Frank's mom asked him to ____ lock the door.
 9. The magician can easily ____ appear in a puff of smoke.
 10. Please don't ____ behave in the library.
 11. It's wrong to ____ treat your friends.
 12. Tom will ____ pack his bag before the trip.
 13. Mia felt very tired after working, but she will soon ____ cover her energy.

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 **Instruction:** Use the prefixes from the box to make new words. Write the new word in the empty box beside each base word.

un- dis- in- im- ir- re- pre- mis-

happy

lock

agree

tidy

correct

behave

possible

pack

regular

cover

make

like

view

honest

place

obey

appear

patient