

Prefixes and Suffixes

Teach your child how to pronounce these common prefixes and suffixes. Then s/he can easily decode a new word by covering the prefixes and suffixes and saying the small word that remains. Then add the prefix or suffix. If you teach your child/students what these common prefixes and suffixes mean, they will be able to analyze words easier and expand their vocabulary.



Common Prefixes

un... = unhappy
re... = rewrite
in... = incredible
im... = impossible
il... = illegal
mis... = misunderstood
dis... = disbelief
pre... = preheat



Common Suffixes

...ing = walking
...ed = walked
...tion = imagination
...ion = position
...ly = quickly
...y = greedy
...er = painter
...or = sailor
...able = capable
...ible = incredible
...en = sharpen