Prefixes and Suffixes Worksheet

Learn the most common ones, then practice. The answers are on the last page.

🔤 What are they?

A **prefix** goes at the beginning of a word: **un**happy. A **suffix** goes at the end of a word: happi**ness**. Both change the meaning of the word. The part in the middle is the **root**.

⬅️ Common prefixes

Prefix	Meaning	Example
dis-	not, opposite of	**dis**agree
in-, im-	not	**in**correct, **im**possible
mis-	incorrectly	**mis**understand
re-	again	**re**do (do again)
un-	not	**un**interesting
under-	below, lower, not enough	**under**water

➡️ Common adjective suffixes

Suffix	Meaning	Example
-able, -ible	able to be	terr**ible**
-ful	full of	beauti**ful**
-less	not having, without	tooth**less**

➡️ Common noun suffixes

Suffix	Meaning	Example
-dom	place or state of being	free**dom**
-er	a person who does	work**er**
-ment	action or process	pay**ment**
-ness	state of being	happi**ness**

✏️ Exercise A: Prefixes

Write the correct prefix in each blank.

dis- in- mis- re- un- under-

1. I just can't believe it! The story is _____believable!
2. No, that answer is _____correct. It is wrong.
3. Let's look at this information again. We should _____view it before the test.
4. I saw Allison just a moment ago, but now I can't find her! It seems that she _____appeared!
5. Oh, I'm sorry, I didn't hear you correctly. I _____understood you.
6. The subway does not go over the land like a normal train. It moves _____ground.

✏️ Exercise B: Adjective suffixes

Complete the words.

-able -ful -less

1. The first woman is very tired. The second woman can't stay still. She always wants to move! She is rest_____.
2. The first dog isn't cute. The second dog is very cute! He's ador_____!
3. Jason always remembers what he has to do. But Melanie can't remember anything! She's very forget_____!

✏️ Exercise C: Noun suffixes

Complete the words.

-dom -er -ment -ness

1. I teach science in a big university. I am a physics teach_____.
2. Sir Alan is King Richard's best knight. He is the most important knight in Richard's whole king_____!
3. Henrietta is my best friend. The best thing about her is her kind_____. She is always so nice to people!
4. The kids always have fun together. They never disagree or have an argu_____.

✅ Answers

Exercise A

1. unbelievable
2. incorrect
3. review
4. disappeared
5. misunderstood
6. underground

Exercise B

1. restless
2. adorable
3. forgetful

Exercise C

1. teacher
2. kingdom
3. kindness
4. argument

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