

Affixes (Prefixes, Suffixes, Root/Base Words)

	Word	Definition	Examples
1	ab-	from, away from	abandon, absent
2	-able/-ible	able to be, capable of being	legible, probable
3	-age	action or process	marriage, blockage
4	-al/-ial	of, like, relating to	magical, celestial
5	ambi-	both, around	ambidextrous, ambiance
6	-ance	act, process, quality, state of being	acceptance, appearance
7	ann/enn	year	annual
8	ante-	before	anteroom, anterior
9	anti-	against, opposite, reverse	antifreeze, antibiotics
10	ap-	to, nearness to	approach, apprehend
11	-ary	of, like, relating to	monetary, imaginary
12	aud	to hear	audience, audible
13	auto-	self	autobiography, automatic
14	bene	good	benefit, beneficial
15	bi-	two	bicycle, bicentennial
16	bio	life	biology, biography
17	ceed/cede	to go, to yield	precede, proceed
18	chrono	time	chronological, chronic
19	circ/circum	around	circumference, circumnavigate
20	co-	together, with	coeducational, coauthor

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21	com-	together	community, communicate
22	contra-	against	contraband, contract
23	cred	to believe, to trust	credible, credibility
24	cycle	recurring	recycle, water cycle
25	de-	opposite of, away from, undo	desegregate, degrease
26	dia-	through, across	diameter, diagonal
27	di-	two, twice, double	dioxide, disyllable
28	dic/dict	to say, to speak, to assert	dictionary, dictate
29	dis-	opposite	dishonest, dislike
30	duct	canal, pipe, conduit	aqueduct, viaduct
31	-ence	act or state of being	absence, consistence
32	-er	one who, that which	farmer, pacifier
33	-ess	female-like	lioness, tigress
34	ex-	out, beyond, away from, former	exhale, exclude
35	extra-	outside, beyond, besides	extracurricular, extragalactic
36	fin	end, limit	finish, final
37	fore-	before, front, superior	foreshadow, forecast
38	-ful	full of	forgetful, thankful
39	geo	earth	geography, geology
40	-ial/-al	of, like, relating to	magical, celestial

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41	ian	one who	musician, beautician
42	-ible/-able	able to be, capable of being	legible, probable
43	-ify	to make or cause to be	identify, clarify
44	il-	not	illegal, illiterate
45	im-	not	immoral, impossible
46	intra-	within	intramural, intravenous
47	-ion	act, condition, result of	calculation, rebellion
48	-ism	act, practice, result of; examples	tourism, patriotism
49	-ist	one who	tourist, novelist
50	-ive	of, relating to, belonging to, tending to	creative, descriptive
51	-ize	make, cause to be, subject to	apologize, visualize
52	-ject	throw	projector, eject
53	less	without	careless, penniless
54	-like	characteristic of	childlike, businesslike
55	-ly	characteristic of	lovely, kindly
56	-ly	like, characteristic of, resembling	weekly, daily,
57	-ment	action or process	development, government
58	-ment	state or quality of being	enjoyment, merriment
59	meter/metr	measure	metric, millimeter
60	mid-	middle	midnight, midterm

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61	migr	move	migrate, migrant
62	-ness	state or quality of being	kindness, rudeness
63	nom	name	nominee, nominate
64	non-	not, opposite of	nonstop, noncombatant
65	-or	one who	actor, governor
66	para-	near, alongside of, aside	parallel, paragraph
67	ped	foot	pedicure, pedometer
68	per-	through	perennial, pervade
69	phon	sound, voice	phonograph, telephone
70	photo	light	photograph, photosynthesis
71	popul	of people/relating to people	popularity, populated
72	port	carry, entrance	airport, portfolio
73	post-	after	postwar, postdate
74	pre-	before	pre-test, predict
75	pro-	before, for, in support of	proactive, program
76	re-	to do again	rewrite, reuse
77	sci	to know	conscience, scientist
78	scope	to see	microscope, telescope
79	scrib/script	to write	scribble, describe
80	self-	of the self	self-centered, self-respect

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81	sign	mark	signal, signature
82	-some	like, tending to be	troublesome, lonesome
83	soph	wisdom, knowledge	sophisticated, sophomore
84	spec/spect	to see, look at, behold	spectator, inspect
85	struct -	build	construct, constructions
86	sub-	under	subtropical, submarine
87	super-	over, above, beyond	superhuman, superimpose
88	syn/sym	together, same	synonym, symphony
89	tract	to pull	tractor, distract
90	trans	across	transcontinental, transfer
91	tri-	three	tricycle, trident
92	un-	not	unwilling, uncivil
93	vale/vali/valu	strength, worth	valuable, valedictorian
94	vis/vid	to see, to look	visual, visor
95	volve	roll	revolve, evolve
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