

Prefix or Suffix

Directions

1. Remind your child about prefixes and suffixes.
 - A **prefix** is a word part that is added to the beginning of a base word that changes its meaning. Examples of prefixes are **un-**, **re-**, **in-**. When the prefix **un-** is added to the base word **lucky**, the word changes from lucky to **unlucky**. The prefix **un-** means “not,” so unlucky means not lucky.
 - A **suffix** is a word part that is added to the end of a base word that changes its meaning. Examples of suffixes include **-er**, **-ful**, **-less**. When the suffix **-er** is added to the base **work**, the word changes from work to **worker**. The suffix **-er** means “one who,” so worker means one who works.
2. Provide your child with the activity sheet.
3. Cut out the word cards, shuffle, and place face down in a stack.
4. Ask your child to select a word card from the stack and read the word. Help your child blend the word parts together if needed.
5. Ask your child to:
 - Write the word in the word column of the activity sheet.

respectful

- Underline the base word (a word that can stand alone and has meaning).

respectful

- Circle the prefix if there is one.
- Circle the suffix if there is one.

respectful

- Write prefix or suffix based on what was circled.

suffix

- Discuss the meaning of any unknown words.
- Repeat these steps for each word in the Key.

Key

Word	Prefix or Suffix
respect <u>ful</u>	suffix
<u>pre</u> heat	prefix
<u>un</u> happy	prefix
<u>non</u> fat	prefix
<u>un</u> tie	prefix
<u>re</u> fresh	prefix
care <u>ful</u>	suffix
<u>dis</u> appear	prefix
re <u>turn</u>	prefix
<u>un</u> spoken	prefix
<u>mis</u> spoke	prefix
care <u>less</u>	suffix
fear <u>less</u>	suffix
bad <u>ly</u>	suffix
eager <u>ly</u>	suffix
pain <u>ful</u>	suffix
bold <u>ly</u>	suffix
<u>re</u> call	prefix
<u>un</u> well	prefix
<u>non</u> sense	prefix
<u>dis</u> agree	prefix
<u>mis</u> behave	prefix
saf <u>ely</u>	suffix
mouth <u>ful</u>	suffix
<u>non</u> fiction	prefix
<u>mis</u> lead	prefix
help <u>ful</u>	suffix

Prefix or Suffix Activity Sheet

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respectful

preheat

unhappy

nonfat

untie

refresh

careful

disappear



return

unspoken

misspoke

careless

fearless

badly

eagerly

painful



boldly

recall

unwell

nonsense

disagree

misbehave

safely

mouthful



nonfiction

mislead

helpful