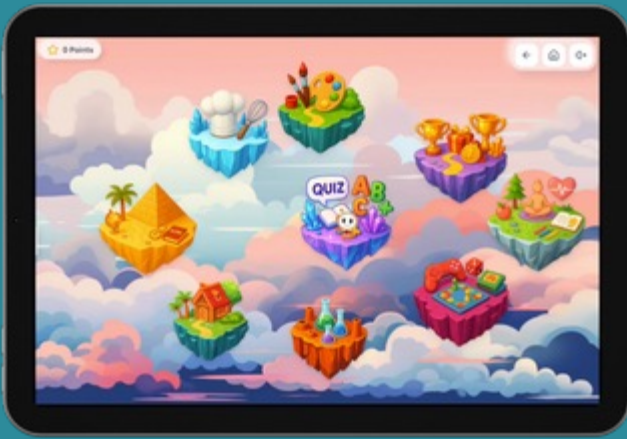


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Morphemes - Year 2

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MORPHEME MAP

A morpheme is the smallest part of a word that has meaning.

PREFIX

joins the beginning

un

BASE WORD

carries the main meaning

help

SUFFIX

joins the end

-ful

un + help + ful = unhelpful



unhelpful means not helpful



Spot the parts.



Read the parts.



Use the meaning.

COMMON PREFIXES

re-



again

re + read = **re**read

un-



not or the
opposite

un + kind = **un**kind

dis-



not or the
opposite

dis + agree = **dis**agree

mis-



wrongly

mis + place = **mis**place

pre-



before

pre + heat = **pre**heat

≧ A prefix joins the beginning of a base word. ≦

COMMON SUFFIXES

-s/-es

more than one



cats

-ed

already happened



jumped

-ing

happening now



jumping

-er

a person who



teacher

-est

the most



fastest

-ful

full of



helpful

-less

without



careless

-ly

in this way



slowly



A suffix joins the end of a base word.



MORPHEME DESK HELPERS

MY MORPHEME HELPER

A morpheme is the smallest meaningful part of a word.

PREFIX

before the base word

re + read = reread

BASE WORD

carries the main meaning

read

SUFFIX

after the base word

read + ing = reading

Find it • Read it • Explain it

un + help + ful = unhelpful

MY MORPHEME HELPER

A morpheme is the smallest meaningful part of a word.

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WORD-PART SORTING STATION



Read each card. Decide whether it is a prefix, base word or suffix. Place it on the matching mat.

PREFIX

joins the beginning



BASE WORD

carries the main meaning



SUFFIX

joins the end



Build a word when your sort is complete.

WORD-PART SORTING CARDS A

re-

play

-ed

un-

read

-ing

dis-

kind

-ful

up-

help

-less

pre-

place

-er

over-

heat

-s

PREVIEW

WORD-PART SORTING CARDS B

non-

lock

-es

sub-

do

-est

under-

cook

-ly

mid-

write

-ment

super-

care

-ness

out-

work

-y

PREVIEW



MORPHEME MISSION



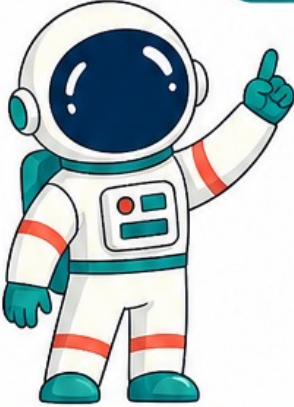
Take turns. Roll, move and complete the matching challenge.



MORPHEME MISSION: DIRECTIONS & RECORD



HOW TO PLAY



1. Take turns to roll and move.
2. Read the action on your space.
3. Complete a matching challenge card.
4. The first player to FINISH wins.



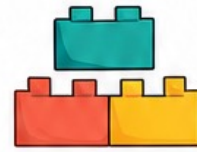
CHALLENGE CARDS



PREFIX —
Add a prefix to read.



SUFFIX —
Add a suffix to help.



BUILD —
Build the word re + play.



BREAK —
Split unkind into parts.



MEANING —
Explain the word careless.



FREE —
Give another player a word.



MISSION RECORD



WORD	WORD PARTS	MEANING

Name: _____



PREFIX DETECTIVE – SUPPORT



Use the word bank. Write the prefix that completes each word. Then circle the prefix in each whole word.

re-

un-

mis-

COMPLETE THE WORD

1. _____ read (read again)
2. _____ kind (not kind)
3. _____ place (put in the wrong place)

CIRCLE THE PREFIX

4. replay

5. unfair

6. mistake



A prefix joins the beginning of a base word.



PREFIX DETECTIVE – SUPPORT



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A prefix joins the beginning of a base word.

Name: _____



PREFIX DETECTIVE – CORE



Break each word into a prefix and base word. Then use the word meanings.



BREAK THE WORD

WORD	PREFIX	BASE WORD
1. reheat		
2. unfair		
3. dislike		
4. miscount		



USE THE MEANING

- 5. Which word means heat again? _____
- 6. Which word means not fair? _____
- 7. Which word means not like? _____
- 8. Which word means count wrongly? _____

☐

The prefix changes the meaning of the base word.



PREFIX DETECTIVE — CORE



Break each word into a prefix and base word. Then use the word meanings.



BREAK THE WORD

WORD	PREFIX	BASE WORD
1. reheat	re-	heat
2. unfair	un-	fair
3. dislike	dis-	like
4. miscount	mis-	count



USE THE MEANING

- Which word means heat again? reheat
- Which word means not fair? unfair
- Which word means not like? dislike
- Which word means count wrongly? miscount



The prefix changes the meaning of the base word.

Name: _____



SUFFIX DETECTIVE – SUPPORT



Use the word bank. Write the suffix that completes each word.
Then circle the suffix in each whole word.

WORD BANK

-ed

-ing

-ful



COMPLETE THE WORD

1. jump _____ (already happened)

2. play _____ (happening now)

3. help _____ (full of help)



CIRCLE THE SUFFIX

4. jumped

5. reading

6. careful



A suffix joins the end of a base word.



SUFFIX DETECTIVE – SUPPORT



Use the word bank. Write the suffix that completes each word.
Then circle the suffix in each whole word.

WORD BANK

-ed

-ing

-ful



COMPLETE THE WORD

1. jump -ed (already happened)

2. play -ing (happening now)

3. help -ful (full of help)



CIRCLE THE SUFFIX

4. jumped

5. reading

6. careful



A suffix joins the end of a base word.



SUFFIX DETECTIVE — CORE

Name: _____



Break each word into a base word and suffix. Then use the word meanings.



BREAK THE WORD

WORD	BASE WORD	SUFFIX
1. boxes		
2. jumped		
3. helpful		
4. slowly		



USE THE MEANING

5. Which word means more than one box? _____
6. Which word shows an action already happened? _____
7. Which word means full of help? _____
8. Which word means in a slow way? _____



The suffix adds information to the base word.



SUFFIX DETECTIVE — CORE

ANSWERS

BASE

SUFFIX

Break each word into a base word and suffix. Then use the word meanings.



BREAK THE WORD

WORD	BASE WORD	SUFFIX
1. boxes	box	-es
2. jumped	jump	-ed
3. helpful	help	-ful
4. slowly	slow	-ly

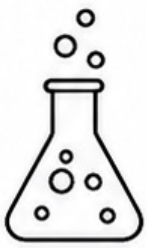


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8. Which word means in a slow way? slowly



The suffix adds information to the base word.



Name: _____

BUILD-A-WORD LAB



Choose word parts that make a real word. Build it, read it and explain its meaning.



PREFIXES:

re- un- mis-

BASE WORDS:

play help read
care pack

SUFFIXES:



-s -ed -ing
-ful -less



PREFIX

BASE WORD

SUFFIX

WHOLE WORD: _____

WHAT IT MEANS: _____



PREFIX

BASE WORD

SUFFIX

WHOLE WORD: _____

WHAT IT MEANS: _____



PREFIX

BASE WORD

SUFFIX

WHOLE WORD: _____

WHAT IT MEANS: _____



PREFIX

BASE WORD

SUFFIX

WHOLE WORD: _____

WHAT IT MEANS: _____



Check: Is it a real word? Does the meaning make sense?



Name: _____



MEANING MATCH



Write the letter of the matching word beside each meaning.



WORDS

A. reread

B. unkind

C. misplace

D. preheat

E. helpful

F. careless

G. teacher

H. slowly

MEANINGS



1. ☐ not kind

2. ☐ read again

3. ☐ full of help

4. ☐ put in the wrong place

5. ☐ heat before it is needed

6. ☐ without care

7. ☐ a person who teaches

8. ☐ in a slow way



Look at the morphemes to help work out each meaning.



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Write the letter of the matching word beside each meaning.



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8. **H** in a slow way



Look at the morphemes to help work out each meaning.



READING FOR WORD PARTS



Read the passage. Use the morphemes to answer each question.

THE WORD-CARD CLUE

Rina reread the clue before the class game.

She unpacked the small box and found a helpful note.

It told her to misplace nothing and move slowly.

Rina smiled and began sorting the word cards.



1. Underline the prefix in reread.
2. What is the base word in unpacked? _____
3. What suffix is in helpful? _____
4. What does misplace mean? _____
5. Break slowly into two morphemes. _____ + _____
6. Choose one word from the passage. Explain how its morphemes help you understand it.

Find the parts. Read the parts. Check the meaning.





READING FOR WORD PARTS



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2. What is the base word in unpacked? pack
3. What suffix is in helpful? -ful
4. What does misplace mean? put in the wrong place
5. Break slowly into two morphemes. slow + -ly
6. Choose one word from the passage. Explain how its morphemes help you understand it.

reread = re + read. The prefix re- means again,
so reread means read again.

Find the parts. Read the parts. Check the meaning.





Name: _____

EDIT AND IMPROVE



The underlined word does not fit the sentence. Write a better word, then name the morpheme you changed or added.

1 I will misread the story because I want to read it again.

BETTER WORD: _____

MORPHEME CHANGE: _____

2 Dad will reheat the oven before the cake goes in.

BETTER WORD: _____

MORPHEME CHANGE: _____

3 The careless painter covered the floor before starting.

BETTER WORD: _____

MORPHEME CHANGE: _____

4 Mia walked slowly to win the running race.

BETTER WORD: _____

MORPHEME CHANGE: _____

5 Noah packed his bag by taking every item out.

BETTER WORD: _____

MORPHEME CHANGE: _____

6 The broken torch was useful because it would not turn on.

BETTER WORD: _____

MORPHEME CHANGE: _____



Read the whole sentence. Check the word parts. Check the meaning.





ANSWERS

EDIT AND IMPROVE



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BETTER WORD: **reread** _____

MORPHEME CHANGE: **change mis- to re-** _____

2 Dad will reheat the oven before the cake goes in.

BETTER WORD: **preheat** _____

MORPHEME CHANGE: **change re- to pre-** _____

3 The careless painter covered the floor before starting.

BETTER WORD: **careful** _____

MORPHEME CHANGE: **change -less to -ful** _____

4 Mia walked slowly to win the running race.

BETTER WORD: **quickly** _____

MORPHEME CHANGE: **change the base word slow to quick** _____

5 Noah packed his bag by taking every item out.

BETTER WORD: **unpacked** _____

MORPHEME CHANGE: **add the prefix un-** _____

6 The broken torch was useful because it would not turn on.

BETTER WORD: **useless** _____

MORPHEME CHANGE: **change -ful to -less** _____



Read the whole sentence. Check the word parts. Check the meaning.



Name: _____

Date: _____



MASTERING MORPHEMES ASSESSMENT – PAGE 1

Identify and break apart meaningful word parts.



A. FIND THE AFFIX

Circle the prefix or suffix in each word.

1. rewrite

2. unkind

3. playful

4. boxes



B. NAME THE PARTS

WORD	BASE WORD	AFFIX	PREFIX OR SUFFIX?
5. misread			
6. helped			
7. unfair			
8. slowly			



C. BREAK THE WORD

Write each word as separate morphemes.

9. replayed = _____ + _____ + _____

10. careless = _____ + _____

SCORE: ____ / 10



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6. helped	help	-er	suffix
7. unfair	fair	un-	prefix
8. slowly	slow	-ly	suffix



C. BREAK THE WORD

Write each word as separate morphemes.

9. replayed = re + play + ed

10. careless = care + less

SCORE: 10 / 10

Name: _____

Date: _____



MASTERING MORPHEMES ASSESSMENT – PAGE 2

Build words and use morphemes to work out meaning.



A. BUILD THE WORD

Write one word that matches each meaning.

1. read again: _____
2. not fair: _____
3. full of care: _____
4. without hope: _____



B. CHOOSE THE BEST WORD

5. Which word means 'did not lock'?
☐ A. relocked ☐ B. unlocked ☐ C. locker ☐ D. locking
6. Which word means 'a person who helps'?
☐ A. help ☐ B. helper ☐ C. helpful ☐ D. helpless



C. MORPHEMES IN CONTEXT

The class will preheat the oven.
Then they will reread the recipe carefully.

7. Underline the prefix in preheat.
8. Circle the suffix in carefully.
9. What does preheat mean? _____
10. What does carefully mean? _____

SCORE: ____ / 10



MASTERING MORPHEMES ASSESSMENT – PAGE 2

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MORPHEMES YR 2 RUBRIC



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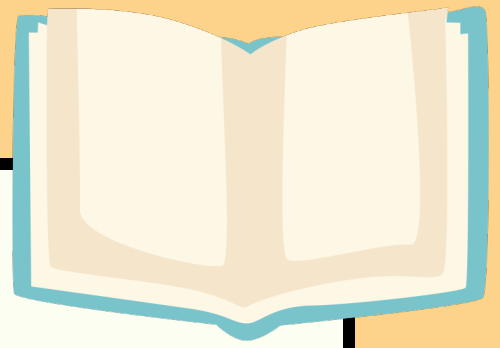
CRITERIA	BEGINNING	DEVELOPING	ACHIEVING	CONFIDENT	EXCEEDING
Identifies morphemes	Needs help to find word parts.	Finds some familiar word parts.	Correctly finds common morphemes.	Finds prefixes, bases and suffixes independently.	Finds and explains morphemes in unfamiliar words.
Breaks words apart	Cannot yet separate word parts.	Separates one part with help.	Separates common words accurately.	Separates multi-part words accurately.	Explains why each boundary is correct.
Builds words	Needs help to join word parts.	Builds some words from a model.	Builds real words with common morphemes.	Builds varied words and checks spelling.	Builds and tests several possible words.
Explains meaning	Meaning is unclear or missing.	Gives a partly correct meaning.	Uses morphemes to explain meaning.	Explains how each part changes meaning.	Justifies meaning using word parts and context.
Applies in context	Needs support to use the strategy.	Uses the strategy with prompts.	Uses morphemes in reading and spelling.	Applies the strategy independently.	Transfers the strategy to new words and tasks.

Teacher comment: _____

Morphemes



What Is a Morpheme?

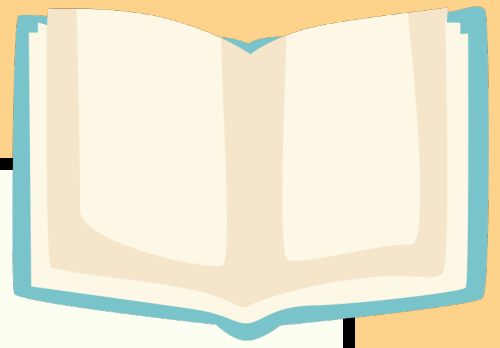


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Base Words Carry Meaning

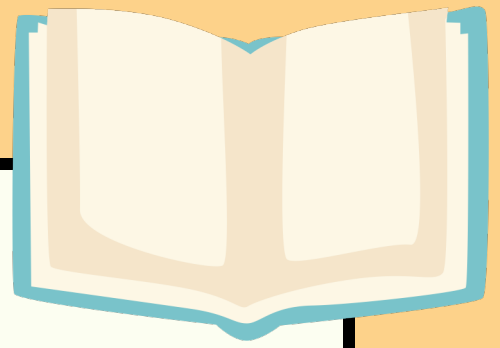


A base word can stand alone and carry the main meaning.

help • play • read • kind

Other morphemes can be added before or after it.





Prefixes Come Before

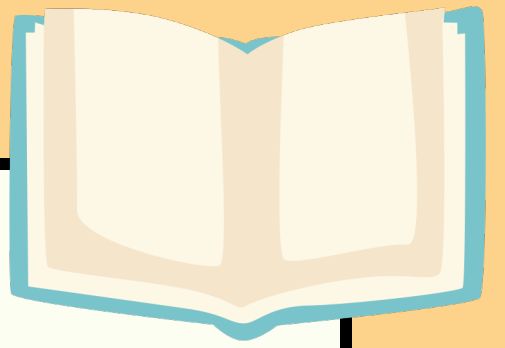
A prefix is added before a base word.

re- = again un- = not dis- = not or opposite

mis- = wrong pre- = before



Watch Meaning Change



pack = put things together

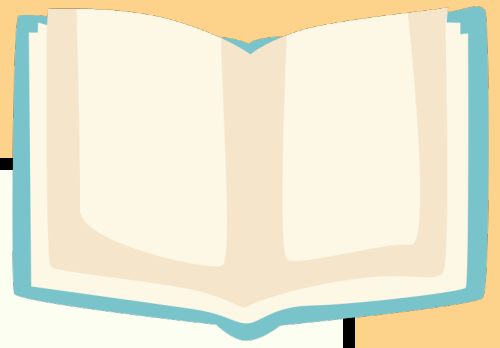
unpack = take things out

repack = pack again

prepack = pack beforehand



Suffixes Come After



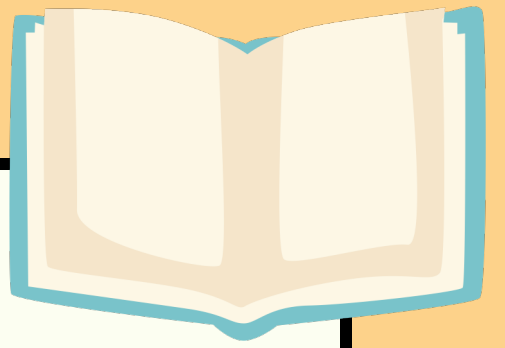
A suffix is added after a base word.

-s or -es = more than one -ed = happened before

-ing = happening now -er = a person who, or more

-est = most -ful = full of -less = without





Watch the Word Change

help → helps → helped → helping

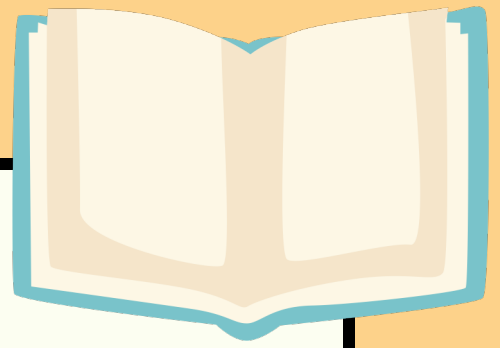
help → helper

help → helpful → helpless

The basic meaning stays connected.



Break a Word into Parts



unhelpful = un- help- ful

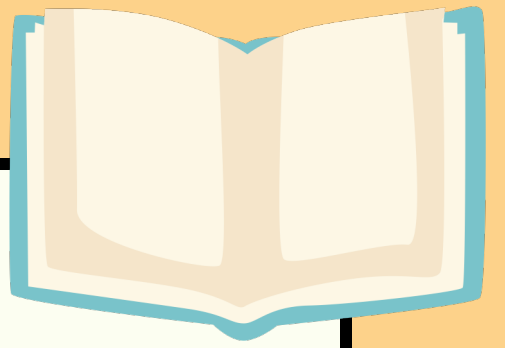
un- means not

help is the base word

-ful means full of or showing



Use Morphemes to Read



Spot the base word first.

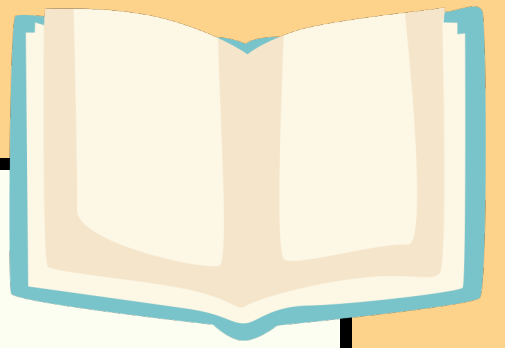
Notice the prefix or suffix.

Blend the pieces, then check the meaning.

Example: reread = read again.



Use Morphemes to spell



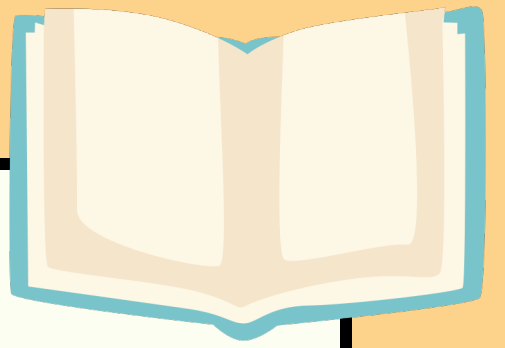
Say the whole word.

Break it into meaningful parts.

Spell each part, then join them.

Example: careless = care + less.





Guided Class Practice

reread = re + read

unkind = un + kind

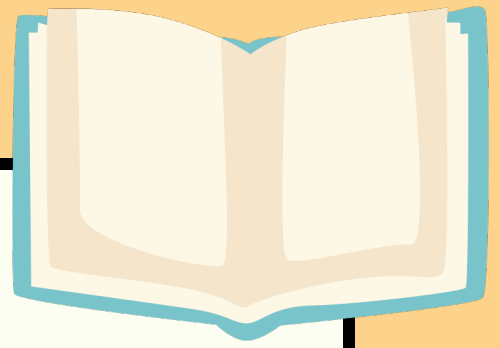
playful = pl + ful

misplace = mis + place

How does each added part change the meaning?



Build a Word Family



Start with car

careful = full of care

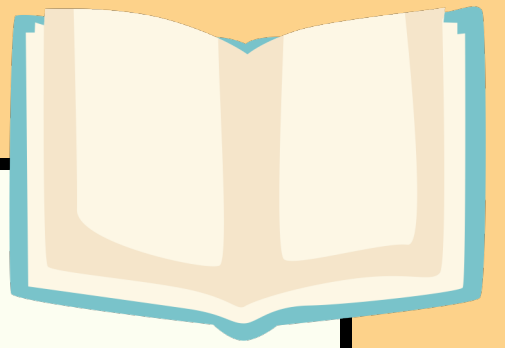
careless = without care

carefully = in a careful way

What other word family can you build?



Quick Check



1. What is a morpheme?
2. Split displaying into morphemes.
3. Explain the meaning of unhappy.
4. Add a suffix to happy and use the new word in a sentence.





Well Done!



PREVIEW

Morphemes Quiz





Question 1

What is a morpheme?

- A. A sentence ending
- B. The smallest part of a word that carries meaning
- C. A punctuation mark
- D. A paragraph





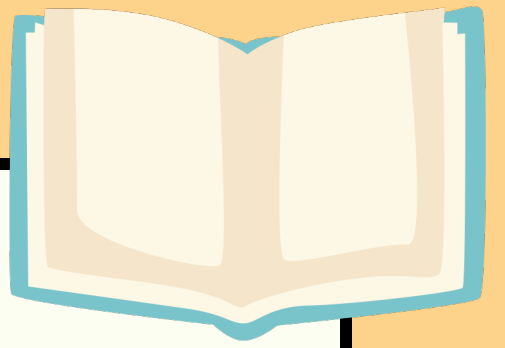
Answer 1

B. The smallest part of a word that carries meaning.

A word may contain one morpheme or several morphemes.



Question 2

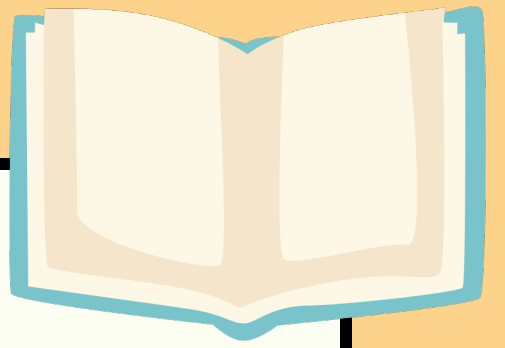


True or false?

A prefix is added before a base word.



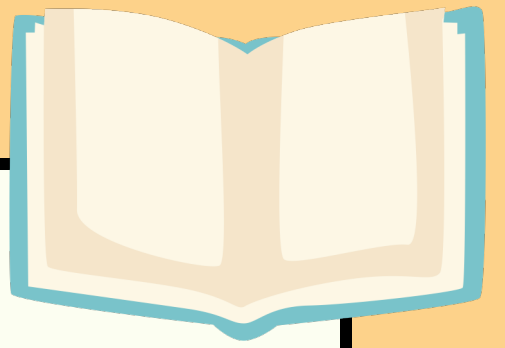
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A prefix comes before a base word.

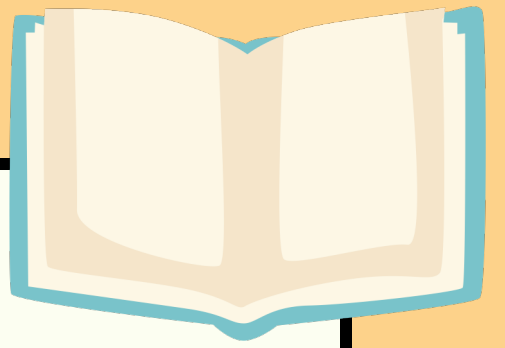


Question 3



Which part is the base word in replaying?



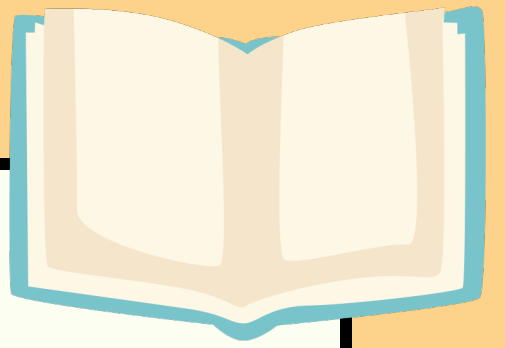


Answer 3

PREVIEW



playing = re + play + ing

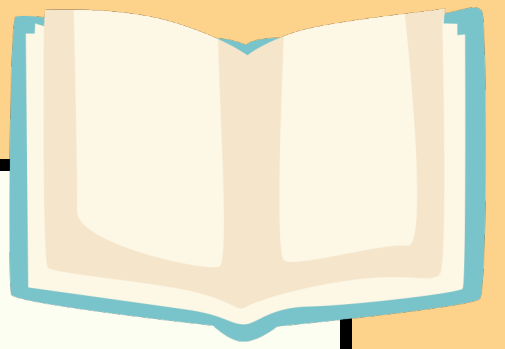


Question 4

What does unhappy need?

- A. Happy again
- B. Very happy
- C. Not happy
- D. Happened before





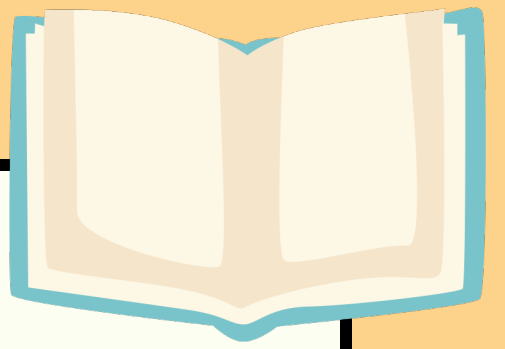
Answer 4

C. Not happy.

The prefix un- means not.

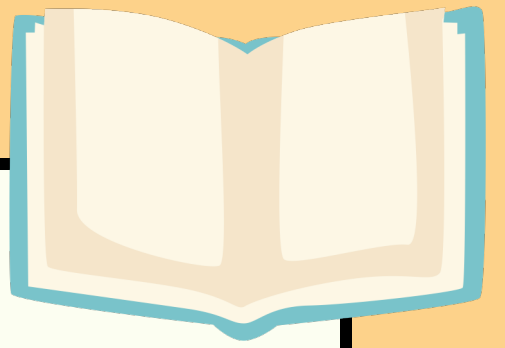


Question 5



Add a prefix to write to make a word that means write again.

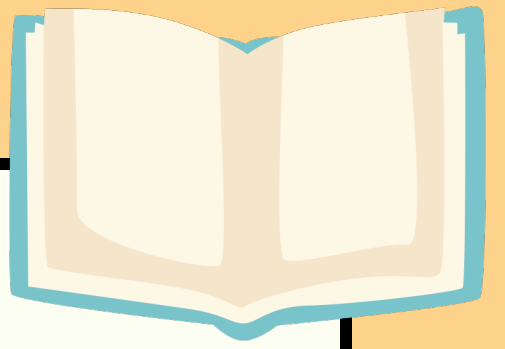




Answer 5

re- write
re- means again, so rewrite means write again.





Question 6

Which suffix is in jump?

A. -ium

B. -ing

C. -ed

D. re-





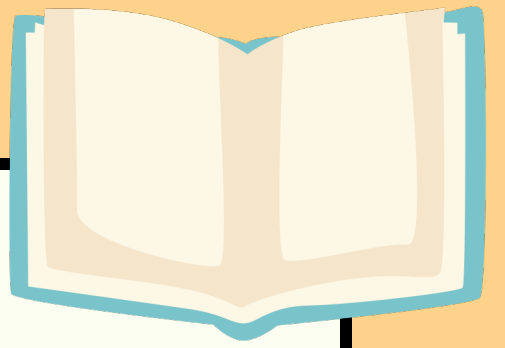
Answer 6

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C. 3a

The suffix -ed shows that the action happened before.





Question 7

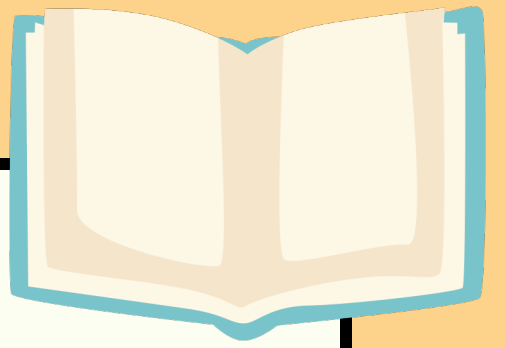
True or false?

The suffix -ful can mean full of or showing.



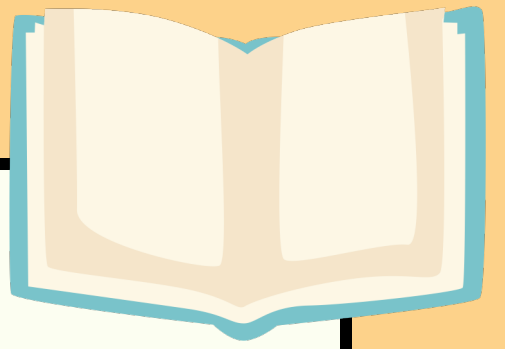
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Answer 7



Helpful means full of help or giving help.





Question 8

Which word means a person who teaches?

A. teaching

B. teacher

C. retell

D. careless





Answer 8

B. teacher

The suffix -er can mean a person who does something.



Question a



Split misread into morphemes and explain its meaning.



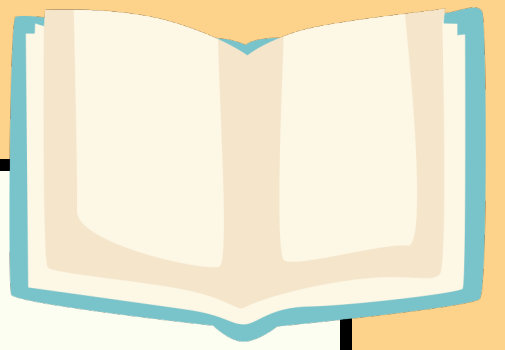


Answer 9

misread

The prefix mis- means wrongly, so misread means read wrongly.





Question 10

Which word means 'to argue'?

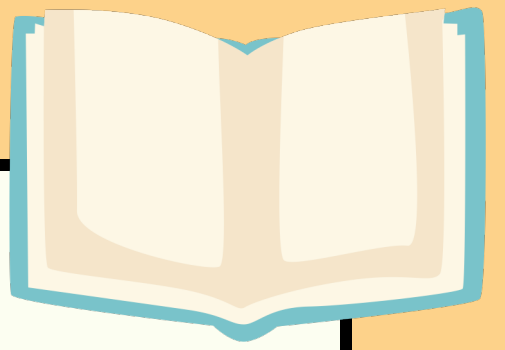
A. play

B. play

C. replay

D. played





Answer 10

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C. r. old

re- means again.





Well Done!



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