

Max the Monkey's Word Building Adventure

Learning objective: To understand and use prefixes and suffixes to change word meanings.

Max the Monkey loves to solve puzzles. Look at the words in the box. Add a prefix (like 'un-' or 're-') or a suffix (like '-ful' or '-less') to make new words. Use the word bank to help you.

Max the Monkey is busy today. He wants to help his friends in the jungle. Sometimes, Max makes a mistake and needs to redo his work. If he is not careful, he might be careless with his tools. But Max is a helpful friend. He shows great kindness to everyone. When he is sad, he feels unhappy, but a new puzzle always makes him smile again!

Word bank: unhappy · helpful · redo · careless · rewrite · kindness

1. 1. Find a word in the story that starts with 're-'. Write it here: _____ (1 mark)

2. 2. Max was not careful. Which word from the story describes him? _____ (1 mark)

3. 3. Add the prefix 'un-' to the word 'happy'. Write the new word: _____ (1 mark)

4. 4. Add the suffix '-ful' to the word 'help'. Write the new word: _____ (1 mark)

Draw: Draw Max the Monkey helping a friend in the jungle. Label your drawing with one word that has a prefix or suffix.



Extension challenge: Can you think of one more word that ends in '-less'? Write it in a sentence below.