

Max's Math-Suffix Sorting Challenge

Learning objective: To understand and apply prefixes and suffixes to root words to change their meaning and word class.

Max the monkey is organising his word collection! He has a pile of root words and a bag of prefixes and suffixes. Your task is to attach the correct prefix or suffix to each root word to complete the sentence. Use the word bank provided to help you build the correct new word.

Word bank: un- · dis- · mis- · -ful · -less · -able · -ation

1. Max felt (hope) _____ when he lost his favorite banana. (Add a suffix) (1 mark)

2. It is (fair) _____ that the monkey had to share his fruit. (Add a prefix) (1 mark)

3. The instructions for the puzzle were (lead) _____, so Max had to start again. (Add a prefix) (1 mark)

4. The complicated pattern was (enjoy) _____ to look at. (Add a suffix) (1 mark)

5. After a long day of counting, Max felt a great sense of (relax) _____. (Add a suffix) (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of Max the monkey sitting in his treehouse surrounded by floating wooden blocks that have prefixes and suffixes written on them.



Extension challenge: Choose two of your new words and write a complex sentence for each, ensuring you use a conjunction such as 'although', 'because', or 'while'.