

Prefix and Suffix Explorers with Max the Monkey

Learning objective: To identify and understand how prefixes and suffixes change the meaning of root words.

Read the front of the flashcard to Max the Monkey. Try to guess the answer before looking at the back! Use these to help you master your spelling and vocabulary.

What is a prefix?

A letter or group of letters added to the beginning of a root word to change its meaning.

What is a suffix?

A letter or group of letters added to the end of a root word to change its meaning.

What is a root word?

A basic word that can have prefixes or suffixes added to it to make new words.

Add the prefix 'un-' to 'happy'. What is the new word?

Unhappy.

Add the prefix 'dis-' to 'agree'. What is the new word?

Disagree.

Add the suffix '-ful' to 'help'. What is the new word?

Helpful.

Add the suffix '-less' to 'care'. What is the new word?

Careless.

Add the suffix '-ly' to 'quick'. What is the new word?

Quickly.

Add the suffix '-ed' to 'jump'. What is the new word?

Jumped.

Add the suffix '-ing' to 'play'. What is the new word?

Playing.

If 'un-' means 'not', what does 'unwell' mean?

Not well.

If '-less' means 'without', what does 'fearless' mean?

Without fear.