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PREFIXES & SUFFIXES

Prefix:

Pre (before) + fix = Prefix is a letter or word what is fixed before a word to form a new word.

Prefix	Meaning	Base Word	New Word	Base Word	New Word
A	on, off, out, from, up, without	bed	abed	shamed	ashamed
		rise	arise	theist	atheist
		Round	Around	wake	awake
Ab	Bad, opposite	Use	Abuse	Normal	Abnormal
Ad	To	Join	Adjoin		
Al	All	Most	Almost	Ready	Already
		Though	Although		
		Together	Altogether	Out	All out
Anti	Opposite	Social	Anti-social	Toxin	Antitoxin
		Smoking	Anti-smoking		
		Cipation	Anticipation	Dote	Antidote
Auto	Self	Graph	Autograph	Mobile	Automobile
		Biography	Autobiography		
Be	Side	Side	Beside	Lingual	Bilingual
Bi	Two	Annual	Biannual	Cycle	Bicycle
		Lingual	Bilingual	Lateral	Bilateral
Co	With	Exist	Coexist	Operate	Cooperate
		Curricular	Co-curricular	Education	Coeducation
De	Opposite			Hoard	Dehoard
		Code	Decode	Centralize	Decentralize
		Merit	Demerit	Rail	Derail
		Spite	Despite		
Dis	Opposite	Agree	Disagree	Allow	Disallow
		Appear	Disappear	Appoint	Disappoint
		Approve	Disapprove	Advantage	Disadvantage
		Obedience	Disobedience		
		Belief	Disbelief	Believe	Disbelieve
		Comfort	Discomfort	Colour	Discolour
		Close	Disclose	Continue	Discontinue
		Courteous	Discourteous	Courtesy	Discourtesy
		Courage	Discourage	Honest	Dishonest
		Grace	Disgrace		
		Honour	Dishonor	Interest	Disinterest
		Hearten	Dishearten		
		Inclined	Disinclined	Like	Dislike
		Loyal	Disloyal	Obey	Disobey
		Obedient	Disobedient	Order	Disorder
		Please	Displease	Respect	Disrespect
		Regard	Disregard		

Ex	Former	Change	Exchange		
		student	Ex-student	President	Ex-president
Extra	Beyond	Ordinary	Extra ordinary	Co-curricular	Extra co-curricular
for	before	Most	Foremost		
Homo	Like	Geneous	Homogeneous	Phone	Homophone
Inter	Among, within	Related	Interrelated	Dependent	Interdependent
		City	Inter-city	National	International
ill	negative	Fad	Ill fad	Logical	Illogical
		Literacy	Illiteracy	Legal	Illegal
		Treated	Ill treated		
im	negative	Balance	Imbalance		
		Moral	Immoral	Mortal	Immortal
		Measureable	Immeasurable		
		Proper	Improper	Possible	Impossible
		Pious	Impious	Probable	Improbable
in	negative	Ability	Inability	Adequate	Inadequate
		Born	Inborn	Active	Inactive
		Come	Income	Considerate	Inconsiderate
		Curable	Incurable	Capable	Incapable
		Deed	indeed	Different	Indifferent
		Digestion	Indigestion	Discipline	Indiscipline
		Discriminate	Indiscriminate	Domitable	Indomitable
		Efficient	Inefficient	Definite	Indefinite
		Formal	Informal		
		Gratitude	Ingratitude		
		Human	Inhuman	Habitant	Inhabitant
		Inclined	Disinclined		
		Justice	Injustice	Visible	Invisible
		Sufficient	Insufficient	Tolerance	Intolerance
ir	negative	Rational	Irrational	Relevant	Irrelevant
		Regular	Irregular	Responsible	Irresponsible
mis	negative	Behavior	Misbehavior	Understand	Misunderstand
		Conception	Misconception	Management	Mismanagement
		Fortune	Misfortune	Conduct	Misconduct
		Lead	Mislead	Take	Mistake
		Trust	Mistrust	Use	Misuse
mal	negative	Nutrition	Malnutrition		
		Practice	Malpractice		
		Treated	Maltreated		
multi	many	Lingual	Multilingual		
		Stored	Multistoried		
		Purpose	Multipurpose		
Non	negative	Agricultural	Non –agricultural		
		Chemical	Non-chemical		
		Government	Non-government		
		Political	Non-political		
Pre		Mature	Premature		
		Requisite	Prerequisite		
Over		Come	Overcome		
		Paid	Overpaid		
		Sleep	Oversleep		
		Work	Overwork	Whelmed	Overwhelmed
re	again	Create	Recreate	Call	Recall



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		Habilitate	Rehabilitate		
		Move	remove		
		News	Renews		
		Search	Research		
		Turn	Return		
		Use	Reuse		
Sub		Standard	Substandard	way	Subway
Self		Centre	Self- center	Reliant	Self-reliant
un	negative	Aware	Unaware	Achievable	Unachievable
		Bound	Unbound		
		Comfortable	Uncomfortable	Conquerable	Unconquerable
		Conscious	Unconscious	Common	Uncommon
		Changed	Unchanged		
		Democratic	Undemocratic	Disturbed	Undisturbed
		Doubt	Undoubtedly		
		Exposed	Unexposed		
		Expendable	Undependable	Do	Undo
		Fortunate	Unfortunate	Friendly	Unfriendly
		Fed	Unfed	Favourable	Unfavourable
		Forgettable	Unforgettable		
		Grateful	Ungrateful		
		Healthy	Unhealthy	Happiness	Unhappiness
		Known	Unknown		
		Limited	Unlimited	Lamented	Unlamented
		Licensed	Unlicensed		
		Methodological	Unmethodological	Mindful	Unmindful
		Move	Unmoved		
		Predictable	Unpredictable	Pleasant	Unpleasant
		Patriotic	Unpatriotic		
		Quenchable	Unquenchable		
		Reasonable	Unreasonable	Ready	Unready
		Satisfied	Unsatisfied	Sung	Unsung
		Selfish	Unselfish	Skilled	Unskilled
		Social	Unsocial		
		Thinkable	Unthinkable	Told	Untold
		Timely	Untimely	Trained	Untrained
		Worthy	Unworthy	Wise	Unwise
Under		Age	Under age		
		Go	Undergo	Ground	Underground
		Passes	Underpasses		
		Take	Undertake		

The following prefixes are used to form a verb.

Be + word = verb

Fall	Befall	Fit	Befit	Friend	Befriend
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Fool	Befool	Late	Belate	Little	belittle
Mean	Bemean	Quiet	Bequiet	Numb	Benumb
De + word = verb					
Em + word = verb					
Brace	Embrace	Poison	empoison	Power	empower
En + word = verb					
Able	Enable	Chant	Enchant	Fold	Enfold
Courage	Encourage	Force	Enforce	List	Enlist
Dear	Endear	Danger	Endanger	Large	Enlarge
Joy	Enjoy	Rich	Enrich	Title	Entitle
Noble	Ennoble				
Sure	Ensure				

Suffix:

Suffix is a letter or word what is fixed after a word to form a new word.

The following suffixes are used to form a noun.

Word + acy = noun

Delicate	Delicacy	Pirate	Piracy	Accurate	Accuracy
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Word + age = noun

Bond	Bondage	Know	Knowledge	Marry	Marriage
Short	Shortage	Waste	Wastage		

Word + al (verb+al) = noun

Arrive	Arrival	Rite	Ritual	Remove	Removal
Survive	Survival				

Word + ance = noun

Assist	Assistance	Important	Importance	Govern	Governance
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Word + ant = noun

Contest	Contestant	Ascend	Ascendant	Pretend	Pretendant
Please	Pleasant				

Word + ar / er / or = noun

Believe	Believer	Board	Boarder		
Commute	Commuter	Count	Counter	Collaborate	Collaborator
Dwell	Dweller	Dear	Dearer	Debate	Debater
Earn	Earned	Examine	Examiner	Employ	Employer
Foretell	Foreteller	Fight	Fighter	Foreign	Foreigner
Full	Fuller				
Love	Lover	Lead	Leader	Make	Maker
Listen	Listener			Manage	Manager
Out	Outer	Operate	Operator		
Plan	Planner	Publish	Publisher		
Speak	Speaker	Strange	Stranger	Suffer	Sufferer
Sing	Singer				
Visit	Visitor				
War	Warrior	Work	Worker	Write	Writer

Word + ary / ery = noun

Brave	Bravery	Revolution	Revolutionary		
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Word + cy = noun



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Illiterate	Illiteracy	Literate	Literacy	Lenient	Leniency
Prophet	Prophecy	Tend	Tendency		
Word + dom= noun					
Free	Freedom	Martyr	Martyrdom	Wise	Wisdom
King	Kingdom				
Word + ee/ence/ess/ette = noun					
Differ	Difference	Exist	Existence	Independent	Independence
Obey	Obedience	Refer	Reference		
Word + hood = noun					
Brother	Brotherhood	Child	Childhood	Man	Manhood
Adult	Adulthood	Boy	Boyhood		
Word + ion= noun					
Act	Action	Addict	Addiction	Attract	Attraction
Associate	Association	Adulterate	Adulteration		
Create	Creation	Communicate	Communication	Constipate	Constipation
Collect	Collection	Cultivate	Cultivation	Contribute	Contribution
Calculate	Calculation	Company	Companion		
Desperate	Desperation	Digest	Digestion	Deteriorate	Deterioration
Destruct	Destruction	Decorate	Decoration	Distribute	Distribution
Educate	Education	Extinct	Extinction	Elaborate	Elaboration
Exhibit	Exhibition				
Frustrate	Frustration				
Instruct	Instruction	Invent	Invention	Indicate	Indication
Impress	Impression				
Perfect	Perfection	Possess	Possession	Product	Production
Predict	Prediction	Populate	Population	Prevent	Prevention
Radiate	Radiation				
Suspect	Suspicion	Segregate	Segregation	Situate	Situation
Violate	Violation				
Word + ism= noun					
Buddha	Buddhism	Criticize	Criticism	Hero	Heroism
Ideal	Idealism	Patriot	Patriotism	Tour	Tourism
Vandal	Vandalism				
Word + ist = noun					
Active	Activist	Extreme	Extremist	Reception	Receptionist
Tour	Tourist				
Word + ity = noun					
Curious	Curiosity	Cordial	Cordiality	Deform	Deformity
Human	Humanity	Hospitable	Hospitality	Potential	Potentiality
Local	Locality	Popular	Popularity	Rational	Rationality
Moral	Morality	Prosper	Prosperity	Spiritual	Spirituality

Simple	Simplicity				
Word + let = noun					
Book	Booklet	Ring	Ringlet	Pig	Piglet
Word + ment = noun					
Achieve	Achievement	Amuse	Amusement	Acknowledge	Acknowledgement
Arrange	Arrangement	Better	Betterment	Content	Contentment
Develop	Development	Employee	Employment	Govern	Government
Entertain	Entertainment	Flourish	Flourishment	Measure	Measurement
Move	Movement	Merry	Merriment	Punish	Punishment
Refresh	Refreshment				
Word + ness = noun					
Amuse	Amusement	Aware	Awareness	Smooth	Smoothness
Clean	Cleanliness	Care	Careless	Wicked	Wickedness
Fit	Fitness	Friendly	Friendliness	Smart	Smartness
Grateful	Gratefulness	Hopeless	Hopelessness	Merry	Merriment
Happy	Happiness	Lone	Loneliness	Polite	Politeness
Idle	Idleness	Peaceful	Peacefulness	Short	Shortness
Lawless	Lawlessness	Sound	Soundness		
Word + sion = noun					
Compel	Compulsion	Omit	Omission	Allude	Allusion
Word + ship = noun					
Friend	Friendship	Hard	Hardship	King	Kingship
Word + th = noun					
Die	Death	Deep	Depth	Four	Fourth
Word + ation/ tion = noun					
Argument	Argumentation	Attend	Attention	Afforest	Afforestation
Compete	Competition	Determine	Determination	Declare	Declaration
Deforest	Deforestation	Inform	Information	Inspire	Inspiration
Expect	Expectation	Plant	Plantation	Relax	Relaxation
Imagine	Imagination	Repute	Reputation	Starve	Starvation
Install	Installation	Utilize	Utilization	Tempt	Temptation
Organize	Organization	Satisfy	Satisfaction	Realize	Realization
Public	Publication				
Word + ty / y (adjective +y) = noun					
Anxious	Anxiety	Difficult	Difficulty	Honest	Honesty
Modest	Modesty	Poor	Poverty	Safe	Safety
Word + ure = noun					
Behave	Behaviour	Expend	Expenditure	Fail	Failure
Please	Pleasure				
The following suffixes are used to form an adjective.					
Word + able = adjective					
Abominate	Abominable	Account	Accountable	Avail	Available
Admire	Admirable	Achieve	Achievable	Enjoy	Enjoyable
Believe	Believable	Deplore	Deplorable	Port	Portable
Deny	Deniable	Marriage	Marriageable	Sustain	Sustainable
Expend	Expendable	Value	Valuable	Society	Social
Forget	Forgettable	Rely	Reliable	Psychology	Psychological
Memory	Memorable	Neglect	Negligible		
Word + al (noun + al) = adjective					
Agriculture	Agricultural	Culture	Cultural	Exception	Exceptional



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Emotion	Emotional	Education	Educational	Ecology	Ecological
Economy	Economical	Ethic	Ethical	Finance	Financial
Editor	Editorial	Norm	Normal	Nation	National
Family	Familial	Physic	Physical	Person	Personal
Globe	Global	History	Historical	Institution	Institutional
Nature	Natural	Practice	Practical	Patriarch	Patriarchal
Ration	Rational	Society	Social	Universe	Universal
Virtuality	Virtual	Spirit	Spiritual		
Word + an = adjective					
India	Indian	History	Historian	America	American
Word + ate = adjective					
Consul	Consulate	Protector	Protectorate		
Word + ent/ant = adjective					
Differ	Different	Depend	Dependent		
Importance	Important	Independence	Independent		
Repent	Repentant				
Word + ful = adjective					
Beauty	Beautiful	Care	Careful	Dread	Dreadful
Grate	Grateful	Harm	Harmful	Hope	Hopeful
Help	helpful	Lust	Lustful	Mind	Mindful
Need	Needful	Peace	Peaceful	Success	Successful
Power	Powerful	Remorse	Remorseful	Right	Rightful
Stress	Stressful	Sorrow	Sorrowful	Sin	Sinful
Thank	Thankful	Use	Useful	Wonder	Wonderful
Word + ic = adjective					
Autocrat	Autocratic	Atmosphere	Atmospheric	Electron	Electronic
Democracy	Democratic	Magnet	Magnetic	Majesty	Majestic
Patriot	Patriotic	Science	Scientific		
Word + ive = adjective					
Alternate	Alternative	Argument	Argumentative	Attract	Attractive
Create	Creative	Cooperate	Cooperative	Digest	Digestive
Effect	Effective	Impress	Impressive		
Word + ish = adjective					
Book	Bookish	Scot	Scottish		
Word + ous = adjective					
Ambition	Ambitious	Advantage	Advantageous	Injury	Injurious
Continue	Continuous	Caution	Cautious	Courtesy	Courteous
Danger	Dangerous	Disaster	Disastrous	Glory	Glorious
Ferocity	Ferocious	Fame	Famous	Luxury	Luxurious
Joy	Joyous	Harmony	Harmonious	Labour	Labourious
Monotony	Monotonous	Price	Precious	Poison	Poisonous
Proposer	Prosperous	Physic	Physical	Religion	Religious
Tendency	Tendencious	Vary	Various	Virtue	Virtuous
Venom	Venomous				

Word + less = adjective					
Beard	Beardless	Beauty	Beautiless	Bound	Boundless
Care	Careless	Charm	Charmless	Price	Priceless
Father	Fatherless	Land	Landless	Root	Rootless
Help	Helpless	Heed	Heedless	Speech	Speechless
Tire	Tireless	Wire	Wireless		
Word + ly (noun+ly)= adjective					
Miser	Miserly	World	Worldly		
Word + like = adjective					
Word + some = adjective					
Quarrel	Quarrelsome				
Word + worthy = adjective					
Praise	Praiseworthy				
Word + y (noun +y)= adjective					
Fault	Faulty	Greed	Greedy	Gloom	Gloomy
Health	Healthy	Might	Mighty	Mud	Muddy
Need	Needy	Risk	Risky	Wealth	Wealthy
The following suffixes are used to form a verb.					
Word + en = verb					
Large	Enlarge	Quick	Quicken	Short	Shorten
Tight	Tighten	Smart	Smarten	Wide	Widen
Wood	Wooden				
Word + fy / ify = verb					
Beauty	Beautify	Desert	Desertify	Glory	Glorify
Word + ize/ise= verb					
Decentralization	Decentralize	Economy	Economize	Global	Globalize
Memory	Memorize	Material	Materialize	Symbol	Symbolize
Virtual	Virtualize				

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