

Root Words, Prefixes and Suffixes

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1a. Find all the possible combinations of prefixes and suffixes with the root word 'sleep'.

un-

-s

-ing

-er



A

1b. Find all the possible combinations of prefixes and suffixes with the root word 'park'.

-er

-ing

-s

un-



A

2a. Sophie says,



I have added the prefix 'un-' to all of these words.

think

love

kind

helpful

wanted

play

Which words do not work and why?



R

2b. Kevin says,



I have added the suffix '-ful' to all of these words.

use

joy

more

happy

help

wish

Which words do not work and why?



R

3a. Which word is the odd one out?
Explain your answer.

trees

bears

stopped

eggs



R

3b. Which word is the odd one out?
Explain your answer.

teacher

smallest

fisher

player



R

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4a. Find all the possible combinations of prefixes and suffixes with the root word 'fold'.

un-

-est

-less

-er

auto-

-ly



A

4b. Find all the possible combinations of prefixes and suffixes with the root word 'quick'.

super-

-est

-er

-ness

-ful

-ly



A

5a. Meg says,



I have added the prefix 'super-' to all of these words.

stand

market

glue

star

hero

love

Which words do not work and why?



R

5b. Daniel says,



I have added the suffix '-less' to all of these words.

heart

finger

jump

thank

power

height

Which words do not work and why?



R

6a. Which word is the odd one out? Explain your answer.

unwanted

helpful

careful

unhelpful



R

6b. Which word is the odd one out? Explain your answer.

undecided

unprepared

unharmful

decidedly



R

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7a. Find possible combinations of prefixes and suffixes with the following root words.

correct

behave



A

Root Words, Prefixes and Suffixes

7b. Find possible combinations of prefixes and suffixes with the following root words.

cover

appear



A

8a. Ben says,



I have added the suffix '-er' to all of these words.

drum

build

manage

bake

piano

swim

Which words do not work and why?



R

8b. Alison says,



I have added the prefix 'auto-' to all of these words.

chart

fill

mobile

graph

biography

pilot

Which words do not work and why?



R

9a. Which root word is the odd one out?
Explain your answer.

interest

continue

appear

pressure



R

9b. Which root word is the odd one out?
Explain your answer.

consider

believe

remember

leading



R

Application and Reasoning
Root Words, Prefixes and Suffixes

Developing

- 1a. sleeping, sleeps, sleeper
2a. 'think' and 'play' do not work because this is not the correct way to make the negative form of these verbs.
3a. Example answer: 'stopped' because the other three words have the suffix '-s' added to them.

Expected

- 4a. unfold, folder
5a. 'stand' and 'love' do not work because these are not grammatically correct words.
6a. Example answer: 'unwanted' is the odd one out as the other three words have the suffix '-ful' added to them.

Greater Depth

- 7a. Various answers, for example: corrects, correcting, autocorrect, correctly; behaves, behaving, misbehave.
8a. 'piano', because unlike the other words, adding '-er' to piano doesn't change the meaning to a person who is playing the piano.
9a. Example answer: 'pressure' because all the other words can add the prefix 'dis-' to them.

Application and Reasoning
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Developing

- 1b. parker, parks, parking
2b. 'more' and 'happy' do not work because these are not grammatically correct words.
3b. Example answer: 'smallest' because the other three words have the suffix '-er' added to them.

Expected

- 4b. quicker, quickest, quickness, quickly
5b. 'jump' and 'height' do not work because this is not the correct way to make the opposite form of these words.
6b. Example answer: 'decidedly' is the odd one out as the other three use the prefix '-un'.

Greater Depth

- 7b. Various answers, for example: uncover, covers, covering, discover, discovers, discovering, discoverer, coverless; appears, appearing, disappear.
8b. 'chart', because the word 'autochart' is not a real word.
9b. Example answer: 'consider' because all the other words can add the prefix 'mis-' to them.