

Lesson: Affixes and Roots

Lesson Topic: Identify prefixes, suffixes, and stems

Question 1:

forearm

Which part of this word is underlined? Pay close attention to where the added letters are located in the word.

- the root
- the prefix
- the suffix
- the stem

Question 2:

dampen

Which part of this word is underlined?

- the consonant
- the suffix
- the prefix
- the stem

Question 3:

deformed

Which part of this word is underlined?

- the suffix
- the prefix
- the stem
- the setting

Question 4:

inventor

Which part of this word is underlined?

- the stem
- the suffix
- the synonym

- the prefix

Question 5:

nonsense

Which part of this word is underlined?

- the stem
- the prefix
- the suffix
- the moral

Lesson Topic: Use prefixes to determine word meaning

Question 1:

Some organs, such as the appendix, are **nonessential**.

Which definition best fits the word **nonessential**? Remember, you can use the prefix to help you determine the meaning of the word.

- not essential
- badly essential
- too essential
- three times as essential

Question 2:

There were many **bicolor** plants growing in the greenhouse.

Which definition best fits the word **bicolor**?

- not having any color
- having two colors
- having three colors
- having too much color

Question 3:

If humans and other types of animals **overeats**, they might develop serious health problems.

Which definition best fits the word **overeats**?

- to not eat
- to eat too little
- to eat too much
- to eat three times

Question 4:

As a journalist, it is extremely important not to **misquote** your sources.

Which definition best fits the word **misquote**?

- to quote too little
- to quote more than two times
- to get a quote from
- to quote wrongly

Question 5:

Shrubs and saplings are part of the forest's **understory**.

Which definition best fits the word **understory**?

- three types of nonfiction stories
- a nonfiction story written wrongly
- the animals living above the forest canopy
- the plant life growing below the forest canopy

Lesson Topic: Use suffixes to determine word meaning

Question 1:

Teachers often act in a **matronly** manner.

Which definition best fits the word **matronly**? Remember, the suffix can help you determine the meaning of the word.

- without a matron
- the state of being a matron
- like a matron
- a person who is a matron

Question 2:

The politicians searched for ways to **hasten** the peace agreement.

Which definition best fits the word **hasten**?

- to make something happen more quickly
- to become less hasty
- a person who moves at a quick pace
- the process of hastening

Question 3:

In the Wizard of Oz, the **Cowardly** Lion traveled with Dorothy to the Land of Oz.

Which definition best fits the word **cowardly**?

- the condition of being a coward
- like a coward
- a person who is a coward
- to make a coward

Question 4:

In history class, we discussed famous **conquerors**.

Which definition best fits the word **conquerors**?

- people who conquered
- ways to be conquered
- the acts of conquering
- conquered places

Question 5:

Many people experience **queasiness** after riding a roller coaster.

Which definition best fits the word **queasiness**?

- the act of being sick
- a person who feels sick
- to make one feel sick
- the state of feeling sick

Lesson Topic: Use roots to determine word meaning

Question 1:

Scientists believe that there are more **terrestrial** lifeforms yet to be found.

Which of the following definitions best fits the word **terrestrial**? Remember, you can use the root to help you determine the meaning of the unknown word.

- made up of small measurements
- living or growing in outer space
- living or growing on land
- made up of light particles

Question 2:

According to many scientists, the first **photons** probably appeared around fifteen billion years ago.

Which definition best fits the word **photons**?

- miniature pieces of earth
- microscopic units of measurement
- small areas of land
- tiny particles of light

Question 3:

The professor studied the **geography** of each region he visited.

Which definition best fits the word **geography**?

- the natural features of Earth
- the measured distance from one area to another
- the pull of gravity
- the amount of light available for solar energy

Question 4:

The rough **terrain** made traveling west difficult.

Which definition best fits the word **terrain**?

- a long distance
- a stretch of land
- a pulling force
- a bright light

Question 5:

Josip Belušić invented the **speedometer** in 1888, and it is still a very important piece of equipment to this day.

Which definition best fits the word **speedometer**?

- a tool that determines the intensity of tornadoes
- a piece of equipment that drags broken down cars
- a device that identifies the speed of light
- an instrument that measures speed