

# Prefix of the Week

**Word:** dis

**Meaning:** 'dis' is a prefix meaning 'not'. When added to the beginning of a word it gives it the **opposite** meaning.

**Examples:**

disagree	disable	disapprove
disbelieve	discontent	dishonest
dislike	dislocate	disobedient

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**Word:** un

**Meaning:** 'un' is a prefix meaning 'not'. When added to the beginning of a word it gives it the **opposite** meaning.

**Examples:**

unable	unaware	uninviting
uncommon	unfair	unreliable
unpredictable	unprofessional	unrelenting

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TOP TIP  
The spelling changes  
depending on the first  
letter of the root word.

**Word:** in

**Meaning:** 'in' is a prefix meaning 'not'. When added to the beginning of a word it gives it the **opposite** meaning.

**Examples:**

inaccurate	incapable	incomplete
inactive	inappropriate	inconvenient
informal	insecure	invisible

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TOP TIP  
If the letter begins  
with l add il e.g.,  
illegal

Word: il

Meaning: 'il' is a prefix meaning 'not'. When added to the beginning of a word it gives it the opposite meaning.

Examples:

illiterate	illegal	illegible
illegitimate	illogical	ill-defined

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TOP TIP  
If the letter begins with r add ir e.g., irregular.

Word: ir

Meaning: 'ir' is a prefix meaning 'not'. When added to the beginning of a word it gives it the opposite meaning.

Examples:

irregular	irrational	irretrievable
irrelevant	irresponsible	irreplaceable
irresistible	irreversible	irreverent

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TOP TIP  
If the letter begins  
with m or p add im  
e.g., immobile or  
impossible.

Word: im

Meaning: 'im' is a prefix meaning 'not'. When added to the beginning of a word it gives it the **opposite** meaning.

Examples:

imperfect	impossible	improper
immature	immobile	impermeable
impassible	impenetrable	imperfect

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**Word:** anti

**Meaning:** 'anti' is a prefix meaning 'against', or 'in opposition to'.

**Examples:**

anticlockwise	antifreeze	antibacterial
antigravity	antiseptic	antivirus
antisocial	anti-ageing	anti-inflammatory

# Prefix of the Week

**Word:** de

**Meaning:** 'de' is a prefix meaning to reverse or undo. It can also be used to show the opposite.

**Examples:**

deactivate	deform	decode
de-ice	declutter	deflated
deconstruct	decompose	defrost

# Prefix of the Week

**Word:** mis

**Meaning:** 'mis' is a prefix meaning 'bad', or 'badly'. It also means 'wrongly' when used with some nouns or verbs.

**Examples:**

misbehave	misread	misspell
misfortune	misunderstand	misleading
mistreat	miscalculate	misuse

# Prefix of the Week

**Word:** sub

**Meaning:** 'sub' is a prefix meaning 'under' or 'below'.

**Examples:**

submarine	submerge	submerge
subconscious	subheading	subway
subscribe	subordinate	subside

# Prefix of the Week

**Word:** re

**Meaning:** 're' is a prefix meaning 'again', or 'back', to show repetition.

**Examples:**

reappear	revisit	rearrange
rebuild	rewrite	reconsider
recycle	revert	recall

# Prefix of the Week

**Word:** inter

**Meaning:** 'inter' is a prefix meaning 'between', 'among' or 'together'.

**Examples:**

international	interpersonal	interrupt
intersect	interactive	interfere
intervene	interject	interview

# Prefix of the Week

**Word:** super

**Meaning:** 'super' is a prefix meaning 'more', 'better', or 'bigger' than usual. To be placed over or above.

**Examples:**

supermarket	superstar	supernatural
superpower	supercharged	supernova
supervise	supersede	superficial

# Prefix of the Week

**Word:** auto

**Meaning:** 'auto' is a prefix meaning 'self'. It can also mean operating without the control of humans

**Examples:**

autopilot	autograph	autobiography
automatic	automatically	autonomy
automate	autofocus	autocratic

# Prefix of the Week

**Word:** micro or mini

**Meaning:** 'micro' and 'mini' are prefixes meaning 'small'.

**Examples:**

minibus	miniskirt	minibeast
minimum	miniature	minimal
microscope	microchip	microphone