

Keywords

dis•hon•est—dihs-AHN-ihst *adjective* lying, not honest

dis•please—dihs-PL EEZ *verb* to make someone feel dislike or annoyance

dis•sim•i•lar—dih-SIHM-uh-ler *adjective* different, unlike

non•mov•ing—nahn-MOO-vihng *adjective* in a fixed position, not changing place or position

non•sense—NAHN-sehns *noun* silly or meaningless words or actions

non•tox•ic—nahn-TAHK-sihk *adjective* not poisonous, harmless

un•com•fort•a•ble—uhn-CUHM-fert-uh-buhl *adjective* not feeling or giving comfort

un•like•ly—uhn-LIK-lee *adjective* not likely to happen

un•u•su•al—uhn-YOO-zhoo-uhl *adjective* not common, rare

un•wise—uhn-WIZ *adjective* not wise, foolish

Read & Replace

The prefixes *dis*, *non*, and *un* share the same meaning: *not*. These prefixes at the beginning of a word tell you that the word means the opposite of the root word. *Unwise* is the opposite of *wise*.

READ the story. FILL IN the blanks with keywords.

dishonest

displease

dissimilar

nonmoving

nonsense

nontoxic

uncomfortable

unlikely

unwise

Ned was starting to wonder about his friend Paul. Paul told stories, and some of them made Ned feel 1 _____.

Sometimes the stories were so wild they just seemed like 2 _____—like the time Paul said that he had seen an creature with a head like a horse and a body like a tiger. Ned didn't like to think that his friend was being 3 _____, but he knew it was 4 _____ for Paul to tell these stories.

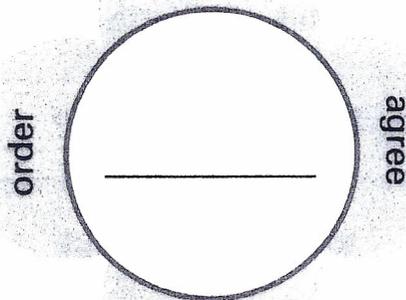
Ned didn't want to 5 _____ his friend, but he knew it was 6 _____ that Paul would change unless someone talked to him. Ned always thought his best friend was just like him, but now he felt like he and Paul were 7 _____.

So when Paul told all their friends that he was going to drink rattlesnake venom and survive, Ned said, "Paul, that's pineapple juice. You know it's 8 _____." Paul just stared, like a 9 _____ object, but later he told Ned that he had never had a better friend.

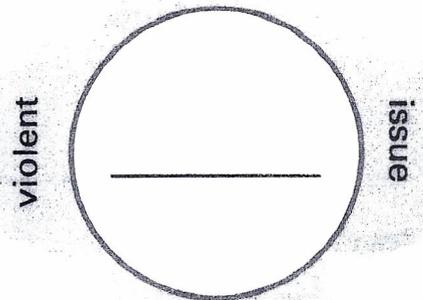
Petal Power

READ the words around each flower. Then WRITE a prefix that could be added to each root word in the flower to make another word.

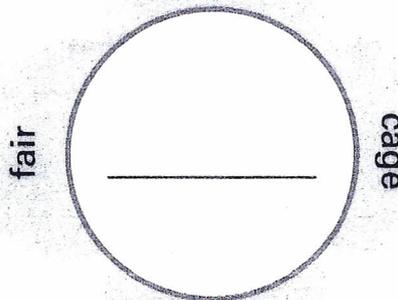
1. able



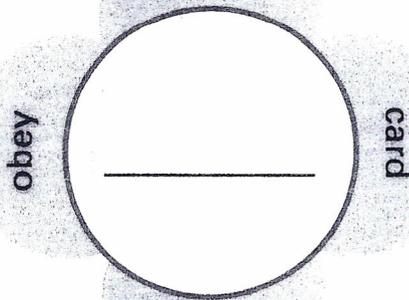
2. fat



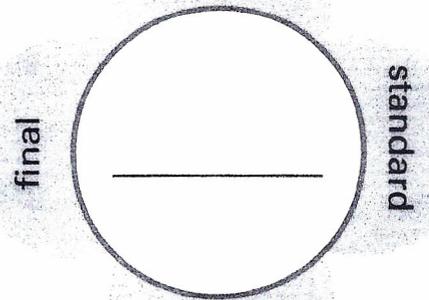
3. buckle



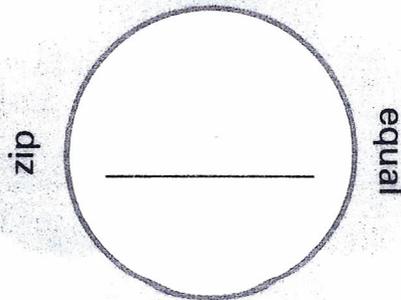
4. appear



5. stop



6. happy



Tic-Tac-Toe

PLAY Tic-tac-toe with prefixes. CIRCLE any root word that could be used with the prefix in blue. PUT an X through any word that could not be used with the prefix. When you find three X's or O's in a row, you are a winner! The line can go across, down, or diagonally. When you're done, make a list of all the words.

1. non

cling	sense	wind
cover	skid	dairy
fair	stop	fit

2. un

certain	place	stop
button	toxic	cut
easy	do	respect

3. dis

fiction	appoint	like
even	cling	loyal
grace	trust	final

Other Words Created with Prefixes

Criss Cross

FILL IN the grid by answering the clues with keywords.

ACROSS

3. The opposite of comfortable
4. The opposite of likely
6. The opposite of toxic
7. The opposite of similar
8. The opposite of usual

DOWN

1. The opposite of wise
2. The opposite of moving
5. The opposite of sense

The crossword puzzle grid is composed of the following squares:

- Down 1:** 5 squares (top to bottom)
- Down 2:** 10 squares (top to bottom)
- Across 3:** 13 squares (left to right)
- Across 4:** 8 squares (left to right)
- Across 5:** 8 squares (left to right)
- Across 6:** 8 squares (left to right)
- Across 7:** 10 squares (left to right)
- Across 8:** 6 squares (left to right)

Blank Out!

FILL IN the blanks with keywords.

1. It is _____ that your grandmother rides a dirt bike.
 2. A rock would make an _____ pillow.
 3. A slide is a _____ object at the playground.
 4. Tom likes soccer and his brother likes gymnastics. They are _____.
 5. It's a good thing crayons are _____, as my baby sister eats them all the time.
 6. It would _____ your friend if you said mean things about her.
 7. Lisa was being _____. She said she didn't eat the cookies, but she did.
 8. It is _____ to swim during a thunderstorm.
 9. A hedgehog is an _____ pet.
 10. It's hard to understand someone who is speaking _____.
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It's Puzzling!

MATCH each prefix to a root word. Then WRITE the words in the blanks.

HINT: You can use the same prefix more than once.

