

# Morphology Suffixes and Prefixes Workbook

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### Rule

The prefix 'pro' means 'before', 'forward', or 'forth'. It can also mean 'in place of' or 'on behalf of'.

Examples
produce progress profess
Words to Practice
test
claim
vide
mote
pose
Underline the morphemes in the following words
proceed
promote
pronoun
progress
proclaim



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The suffix '-ess' makes a noun feminine.

Exa	m	pl	es

princess actress

### **Words to Practice**

host	
lion	
god	
giant	
poet	

### Underline the morphemes in the following words

waitress		
priestess		
duchess		
huntress		
tigress		



### Rule

The suffix '-ive' means 'pertaining to', 'tending to', or 'doing'. It is often attached to root words ending in 't'.

xamples	
executive effective elective	
Vords to Practice	
ct	
reate	
eflect	
revent	
ompete	
Inderline the morphemes in the following words	
ctive	
reative	
eflective	
reventive	
ompetitive	



### Rule

The suffix '-ist' refers to 'one who does/makes' or someone who follows a specific faith, doctrine, or custom.

Examples	
scientist tradit	tionalist pacifist
Words to Pra	ctice
art	
guitar	
motor	
special	
novel	
Underline the	e morphemes in the following words
artist	
guitarist	
motorist	
novelist	
specialist	



### Rule

The suffix '-ize' (or '-ise') is used to indicate quality, condition, or function, often signifying the action of doing something.

Examples	
harmonize rationalize	memorize
Words to Practice	
final	
modern	
symbol	
organ	
critic	
Underline the morp	phemes in the following words
apologize	
finalize	
modernize	
organize	
criticize	



### Rule

The prefix 'im/il/ir' usually means 'not'. The form of the prefix changes depending on the following letter.

Examples			
irrelevant illegal immune			
Words to Practice			
logical			
patient			
mortal			
rational			
legal			
Underline the morphemes	in the following wor	rds	
illegal			
irregular			
impatient			
irrational			
immortal			



### Rule

The prefix 'sub' usually indicates 'under, beneath, below, or secondary'.

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Examples	
subject subjugate subscribe	
Words to Practice	
merge	
ract	
due	
marine	
itle	
Inderline the morphemes in the following words	
submerge	
subtract	
subdue	
submarine	
subtitle	



# Spelling Test With a parent or teacher, test your spelling ability by writing down the words below: proceed actress competitive artist finalize illegal submerge pronoun waitress impatient



### **Answer Sheet**

Exercise 1: proceed, promote, pronoun, progress, proclaim

Exercise 2: waitress, priestess, duchess, huntress, tigress

Exercise 3: active, creative, reflective, preventive, competitive

Exercise 4: artist, guitarist, motorist, novelist, specialist

Exercise 5: apologize, finalize, modernize, organize, criticize

Exercise 6: illegal, irregular, impatient, irrational, immortal

Exercise 7: submerge, subtract, subdue, submarine, subtitle