

## Word building: suffixes

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### 1 Match

attract	knowledge
improve	breath
breathe	attraction
know	prayer
conclude	improvement
pray	encouragement
confuse	conclusion
quote	quotation
encourage	confusion

### 2 Complete the sentences using a form of the word on the right.

**Example:** Take a deep *breath*

BREATHE

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| 1. I don't have much _____ of classical music.              | KNOW      |
| 2. The changes will make a big _____ to your health.        | IMPROVE   |
| 3. The jury haven't reached a _____ yet.                    | CONCLUDE  |
| 4. Do you think Dee feels any _____ to Ed?                  | ATTRACT   |
| 5. The meeting ended in complete _____.                     | CONFUSE   |
| 6. At church, we said a _____ for the people in the floods. | PRAY      |
| 7. I read aloud a _____ from Voltaire.                      | QUOTE     |
| 8. My English teacher gave me a lot of _____.               | ENCOURAGE |

### 3 Complete the sentences using adjectives.

1. She left the water boiling on the cooker for an hour. That was very \_\_\_\_\_ of her.
2. I come from an \_\_\_\_\_ town in the north where they make chemicals.

3. A bike is much more \_\_\_\_\_ than a car for getting around town.
4. These shoes may be \_\_\_\_\_, but they're incredibly uncomfortable.
5. My sister made fish with a \_\_\_\_\_ sauce, which was delicious.
6. The teacher told us a very \_\_\_\_\_ story about himself. We couldn't stop laughing.
7. Soldiers entered the town from all sides, and we were \_\_\_\_\_ to stop them.
8. I can't see you today: there are \_\_\_\_\_ things I have to do in town.
9. My mother gave me a very \_\_\_\_\_ piece of advice: be patient and don't give in.