

## Word Formation: Prefixes (5E)

### Prefixes to practice:

co, ex, mini, micro, mis, multi, over, post, re, semi, under, sub

### Exercise 1: Write the correct prefix

Write the correct prefix from the box to complete each word.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ operate → work together
2. \_\_\_\_\_ boyfriend → former boyfriend
3. \_\_\_\_\_ market → a very small market
4. \_\_\_\_\_ school → after school
5. \_\_\_\_\_ cook → cook too much
6. \_\_\_\_\_ happy → not happy because of something wrong
7. \_\_\_\_\_ marine → under the sea
8. \_\_\_\_\_ cycle → ride again (or use again)
9. \_\_\_\_\_ way → not the right way
10. \_\_\_\_\_ national → involving many nations
11. \_\_\_\_\_ circle → half a circle
12. \_\_\_\_\_ developed → not developed enough
13. \_\_\_\_\_ hero → a small or less powerful hero

### Exercise 2: Match the prefix to its meaning

Choose the correct meaning for each prefix.

| Prefix        | Meaning            |
|---------------|--------------------|
| 1. micro ____ | a. again           |
| 2. co ____    | b. after something |
| 3. post ____  | c. very small      |
| 4. mis ____   | d. wrongly         |
| 5. re ____    | e. together        |
| 6. over ____  | f. too much        |

| Prefix        | Meaning       |
|---------------|---------------|
| 7. under ____ | g. not enough |
| 8. multi ____ | h. many       |
| 9. semi ____  | i. half       |
| 10. ex ____   | j. former     |
| 11. sub ____  | k. below      |
| 12. mini ____ | l. small      |

### Exercise 3: Forming New Words

Combine the prefix and the root word to create a new word. Then write the meaning of that word.

| Prefix    | Root Word  | New Word | Meaning     |
|-----------|------------|----------|-------------|
| 1. re     | write      | rewrite  | Write again |
| 2. ex     | president  | _____    | _____       |
| 3. mini   | skirt      | _____    | _____       |
| 4. under  | estimate   | _____    | _____       |
| 5. multi  | task       | _____    | _____       |
| 6. post   | war        | _____    | _____       |
| 7. mis    | understand | _____    | _____       |
| 8. co     | worker     | _____    | _____       |
| 9. semi   | final      | _____    | _____       |
| 10. micro | chip       | _____    | _____       |