Does it have a prefix or a suffix?

Prefixes and suffixes can help you understand a word. They give you important information about the word.

Some prefixes give adjectives the **opposite** meaning:
un- happy - unhappy
im- possible - impossible
dis- satisfied - dissatisfied
ir- regular - irregular
Il- legal - illegal

Other prefixes make a word **negative**:
anti- social - antisocial
non- profit - non-profit

Suffixes can tell you what type of word it is, e.g. nouns often end in -**ment** (enjoyment), -**ness** (happiness) or -**ion** (education). Here are some common suffixes for nouns.
-**ment** - management / arrangement
-**ism** - racism / communism
-**ness** - happiness / sadness
-**ship** - friendship / relationship
-**er**/-**or** - director / teacher
-**tion** - communication / education

Common suffixes for verbs:
-**ate** - create / activate
-**ify** - verify / solidify
-**ise**/-**ize** - authorise / categorise

Common suffixes for adjectives:
-**able** - reliable / capable
-**al** - accidental / universal
-**ful** - helpful / wonderful
-**ous**/-**ious** - dangerous / nervous / religious
-**ive** - creative / sensitive

Grouping: prefixes

Put the words with the correct prefix.

agree rational honest convenient patient start obedient

comfortable cycle mature regular formal possible happy

able use dependent responsible

im

un

in

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Suffixes

Add a suffix and change these words to nouns.

friend ☐

enjoy ☐

inform ☐

direct ☐

member ☐

forgetful ☐

arrange ☐

appoint ☐