

Prefixes and suffixes

b. Use the right prefix to make these words opposite. Use your dictionary if necessary.

agree lock formal happy
 employed regal honest understand
 visible regular dressed like

d. Match the common prefixes on the left with their meaning on the right.

1. ex-	<input type="text"/>	a. again
2. dis-	<input type="text"/>	b. 50% of something
3. half-	<input type="text"/>	c. incorrectly
4. in-, im-, il-	<input type="text"/>	d. not (usually with adjectives)
5. mis-	<input type="text"/>	e. not (usually with verbs)
6. re-	<input type="text"/>	f. not (usually with adjectives or verbs)
7. un-	<input type="text"/>	g. was but not now

Word partners

Word partners or collocations are words that are very often used together in the English language. They can be very different in your own language so you need to learn them if you want to use English naturally. They can be combinations of:

Verbs and Nouns: *take a photo, make a noise, etc.*

Adjectives and Nouns: *strong coffee, heavy traffic, etc.*

Common adjectives can go together with many different nouns.

Adverbs and Adjectives: *terribly sorry, fully aware, etc.*

You can use adverbs which mean very before certain adjectives to emphasise their meaning.

Prepositions and Nouns: *by mistake, on holiday etc.*

It is best to learn these as *fixed expressions* as there are no rules why a particular preposition goes with a particular noun.

a. Match the verbs on the left with their partner nouns on the right. Use your dictionary if necessary.

VERBS		NOUNS
1. ask	_____	a. the bus
2. do	_____	b. the car
3. get off	_____	c. care
4. have	_____	d. a company
5. make	_____	e. exercise
6. run	_____	f. fun
7. start	_____	g. a mistake
8. surf	_____	h. a question
9. take	_____	i. the truth
10. tell	_____	j. the Internet

b. Fill in the gaps with the missing verbs. Be careful to use the right verb form.

1. It was very difficult to _____ the car because there was a lot of snow on our street.
2. Please _____ me the truth about what really happened.
3. You should _____ more exercise and eat less, the doctor said.
4. 'See you soon Bob. Have a good trip and _____ care!' my dad said.
5. She was _____ the Internet for the best e-shopping websites.
6. He is finding it difficult to _____ the company after his father's death.
7. The children _____ a lot of fun playing with the dog.
8. If you don't understand something, you can _____ a question.
9. You'll _____ a mistake if you give him your phone number.
10. You should always wait for the bus to stop before you _____.