

Word formation 2

Prefixes

Use the words in **red** at the end of each line to form new words to fit in the spaces.

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| 1 Don't depend on him, he is a very <u>unreliable</u> person. | rely |
| 2 I'd lost my key, so I couldn't the door when I got home. | lock |
| 3 Don't be so, we've only been waiting a few minutes. | patient |
| 4 Seven o'clock on Saturday is a rather time for an appointment. | convenient |
| 5 Please don't be so, I can't do all the work by myself. | reason |
| 6 The staff are always making mistakes because they are so | efficient |
| 7 Sorry about the mistake. I the instructions you gave me. | understand |
| 8 They've my name on this form – the first letter is L not R. | spell |
| 9 An athlete who fails a drugs test is sure to be | qualify |
| 10 Every year thousands of species of plants and insects | appear |

Compound nouns

Fill each gap with a word that combines with the one given to make a suitable compound.

In the good old days everything you ate was ¹ home-made and prepared in the traditional, ² way. Nowadays, ³ is replacing the slow, careful preparation of fresh ⁴ vegetables and other ingredients. All the modern cook needs is a ⁵ and a ⁶ It's not only in canteens and ⁷ cafeterias – even many restaurants serve ⁸ meals instead of individually prepared and cooked dishes for each customer. A steak or grilled fish is always freshly cooked. But it's unlikely that prawns in the prawn cocktail you had for your ⁹ were fresh today: if you get ¹⁰ , they may be the cause. And if you suspect that the ¹¹ isn't freshly squeezed, it may be safer to drink ¹² !

- 1 made
- 2 old
- 3 food
- 4 home
- 5 tin
- 6 food
- 7 self
- 8 produced
- 9 course
- 10 food
- 11 fruit
- 12 water