



## Unit 1

A **prefix** is a word part that comes before a base word. A prefix changes a word's meaning.

The prefixes **dis-** and **in-** mean "not," "the opposite of," or "without."

Add the prefix **dis-** or **in-** to complete each word. Then complete each sentence below with a word from the box. Use a dictionary, if necessary, to choose the correct prefix.

_____ valid	_____ appear	_____ obey	_____ accurate
_____ respect	_____ capable	_____ trust	_____ continue
_____ equality	_____ frequently	_____ complete	_____ considerate

1. I'm pretty sure that I am \_\_\_\_\_ of lifting a 100-pound weight.
2. Magicians can't really make objects \_\_\_\_\_, can they?
3. Jay did not add up the numbers carefully, so his answer was \_\_\_\_\_.
4. When the fire alarm sounded, we had to \_\_\_\_\_ the art lesson.
5. This discount coupon is \_\_\_\_\_ because it expired last month.
6. It was \_\_\_\_\_ of you to hurt your little brother's feelings.
7. Please don't show \_\_\_\_\_ to others by moving ahead of them in line.
8. It snows \_\_\_\_\_ in Florida, so people get excited when it does.
9. I \_\_\_\_\_ people who have tried to trick me in the past.
10. You should not \_\_\_\_\_ your parents by staying up past your bedtime.
11. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., led the fight against racial \_\_\_\_\_.
12. Please finish your homework. Don't turn it in if it is \_\_\_\_\_.

A **prefix** is a word part that comes before a base word or another word part. A prefix changes a word's meaning.

The prefix **mis-** means "bad" or "wrong."

The prefix **de-** means "down," "away from," "off," or "to reverse the process of."

Add the prefix **mis-** or **de-** to each word or word part in parentheses.  
Write the new word to complete the sentence.

1. Bring plenty of water on the hike so that you don't get \_\_\_\_\_.  
(hydrated)
2. I changed my shirt because of a \_\_\_\_\_ involving chocolate milk.  
(hap)
3. Our principal expels students only for serious forms of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(conduct)
4. The street was blocked off, so Mom had to take a \_\_\_\_\_ to work.  
(tour)
5. A \_\_\_\_\_ caused Jack and Bo to get into an argument.  
(understanding)
6. To return to camp, we must \_\_\_\_\_ from the mountain.  
(scend)
7. People who \_\_\_\_\_ their pets should not be allowed to keep them.  
(treat)
8. I didn't buy enough food because I had \_\_\_\_\_ the number of guests.  
(counted)
9. A \_\_\_\_\_ in rainfall has led to dry conditions.  
(crease)
10. A computer expert \_\_\_\_\_ Dad's laptop when it wasn't working properly.  
(bugged)
11. Natural events such as earthquakes can cause great \_\_\_\_\_.  
(struction)
12. Some commercials use exaggeration to \_\_\_\_\_ viewers.  
(lead)

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The prefix **re-** means "again" or "back." The prefix **multi-** means "many."

**re** + build = **rebuild** ("to build again")

**multi** + purpose = **multipurpose** ("having many purposes")

A. Add the prefix **re-** or **multi-** to each word.

Use a dictionary if necessary.

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| 1. _____ media | 6. _____ fund     |
| 2. _____ view  | 7. _____ cultural |
| 3. _____ grain | 8. _____ write    |
| 4. _____ call  | 9. _____ colored  |
| 5. _____ cover | 10. _____ new     |

B. Write a word from Activity A that matches each clue.

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| 1. to <u>pay back</u> money                               | _____ |
| 2. to <u>find something again</u> after it was lost       | _____ |
| 3. something with <u>more than one color</u>              | _____ |
| 4. a bread with <u>many grains</u>                        | _____ |
| 5. to <u>take another look at</u> what was learned        | _____ |
| 6. the use of <u>several media</u> to make a presentation | _____ |
| 7. including <u>several different cultures</u>            | _____ |
| 8. to <u>write something again</u>                        | _____ |