

TIP

The prefixes **em** and **en** can mean in or into, as in endanger. They can also mean cause to be, as in embitter, or to make, as in engrave.

The prefix **fore** means front or before, as in foresight.

The prefix **post** means after, as in postwar.

The prefix **over** usually means too much or above, as in overdue.

LIST WORDS

1. *forewarning*
2. *postscript*
3. *postwar*
4. *encourage*
5. *overweight*
6. *overflow*
7. *foresight*
8. *embellish*
9. *emblazon*
10. *engrave*
11. *endanger*
12. *foreground*
13. *embitter*
14. *overdue*
15. *foreknowledge*
16. *overprotect*
17. *embankment*
18. *embattle*
19. *enlistment*
20. *enlighten*

Spelling Practice

Words with em, en, fore, post, and over

Write each **list word** under the correct category.

Words with the
prefix **em** or **en**

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

Words with the prefix **over**

15. _____
16. _____
17. _____
18. _____

Words with the prefix **post**

6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

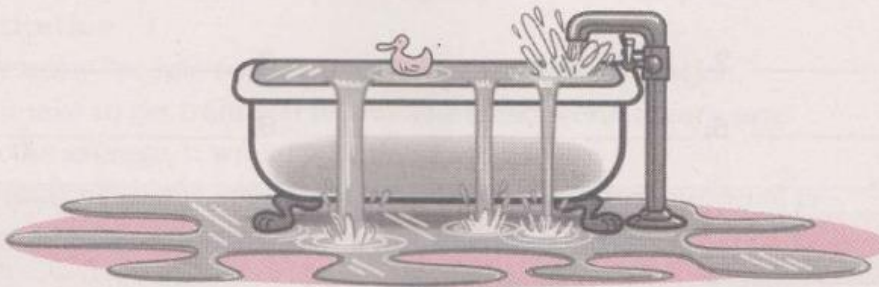
Words with the prefix **fore**

11. _____
12. _____
13. _____
14. _____

Comparing Words

Study the relationship between the first two underlined words. Then, write a **list word** that has the same relationship with the third underlined word.

1. road is to curb as river is to _____
2. hinder is to discourage as help is to _____
3. lake is to flood as bathtub is to _____
4. careful is to careless as protect is to _____
5. wood is to carve as metal is to _____
6. Mr. is to Mister as p.s. is to _____
7. far is to near as background is to _____
8. prompt is to timely as late is to _____
9. advice is to caution as hint is to _____
10. yesterday is to tomorrow as prewar is to _____



Mixed-Up Words

The prefixes in these **list words** have become mixed up: embattle, emblazon, embellish, embitter, enlighten, enlistment, foreknowledge, foresight, overprotect, overweight. Put the prefixes back where they belong and write the two correct words on the lines:

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|----------------|--------------|-------|-------|
| 1. emweight | overbellish | _____ | _____ |
| 2. enbitter | emlighten | _____ | _____ |
| 3. enknowledge | forelistment | _____ | _____ |
| 4. forebattle | emsight | _____ | _____ |
| 5. overblazon | emprotect | _____ | _____ |

Spelling and Writing

Proofreading

This pamphlet on storm safety tips has ten mistakes. Use the proofreading marks to correct them. Then, write the misspelled **list words** correctly on the lines.

When a storm is coming, you cant overpertect yourself. With forsite and planning you can remain safe. If you don't have a portable radio, you're overdedw to get one. Follow any forworning about flooding if you live in a low-lying area. Keep batteries bottled water, and candles on hand. During the storm, encaurage everyone to keep away from windows electrical appliances, and telephones. after the storm, don't emdanger yourself by going near downed wires.

Proofreading Marks

-  spelling mistake
-  capital letter
-  add something
-  add apostrophe



1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

Writing Quotations

What do you think people who were on the train that nearly plunged into the molasses flood might have said? Write quotations for several different people who may have experienced this train ride. Use any **list words** that you can. Remember to proofread your quotations and fix any mistakes.

BONUS WORDS

empower
encompass
foremost
oversensitive
overemotional