

GRAMMAR REVIEW: WORD FORMATION

Complete the sentences using the words in brackets in the correct form.

1. Detroit is renowned for the _____ of cars. (PRODUCE)
2. If you make a good _____ at the interview, you will get the job. (IMPRESS)
3. Teaching and medicine are more than _____, they're professions. (OCCUPY)
4. My history teacher has a vast _____ of past events. (KNOW)
5. You are never too old to go to college and gain some _____. (QUALIFY)
6. My greatest _____ was graduating from the university. (ACHIEVE)
7. The weatherman said there is a strong _____ of rain today. (POSSIBLE)
8. Some old laws are no longer _____. (EFFECT)
9. Athens is _____ for its ancient buildings. (FAME)
10. He was caught shoplifting so now he has a _____ record. (CRIME)
11. Despite her severe _____, she fulfilled her goals in life. (DISABLE)
12. Being _____ is the worst thing that can happen to someone. (EMPLOY)
13. If you buy presents in the summer your _____ can be very high. (SAVE)
14. Due to the pilot's _____ the copilot managed to land safely. (GUIDE)
15. It's important to also see the less _____ sides of the job. (DESIRE)
16. I was surprised at his _____ to give up. (REFUSE)
17. Children are by nature _____ of danger. (AWARE)
18. She is always _____ towards her parents. (RESPECT)
19. The hospital has the best medical _____ and fast ambulances. (EQUIP)
20. You can relax in the comfortable _____ of the hotel. (SURROUND)
21. The _____ looked dark and there were hardly any other guests. (ENTER)

Forming opposite meanings . This exercise focuses on the common prefixes and suffixes used to form opposite words. Choose the correct prefix or suffix to form the opposite of the word in CAPITALS.

in- im- il- un- -less dis- ir-

- 1 When he became a teenager he wanted to be more (DEPENDENT) _____
from his parents.
- 2 It was really (HONEST) _____ of you to take that money without asking.
- 3 If you hadn't been so (CARE) _____ with that book you'd still have it now.
- 4 My broken leg means I'll be (ABLE) _____ to go on holiday with you.
- 5 In many countries it is (LEGAL) _____ to smoke cigarettes under the age of 16.
- 6 He waited (PATIENTLY) _____ for the train to arrive at the station.
- 7 The teacher told me it was (RESPONSIBLE) _____ of me to set off the fire alarm.

Forming adjectives and adverbs This exercise looks at the most common adjective and adverb endings. Write the correct form of the adjective or adverb of the word in CAPITALS. For questions 5-8 you will need to make TWO changes to the stem word.

1. Be sure to contact him if you need advice. He's a very (HELP) person.
2. It was a really (ENJOY) party. Thanks for inviting me.
3. He has just taken out a (MONTH) subscription to the magazine.
4. She smiled (HAPPY) when they offered her the new job.
5. (HOPE) we'll have enough money saved to get married next year. (2 changes required)
6. In order for the medicine to work (EFFECT) you must take the correct amount.
(2 changes required)
7. Although our teacher is very strict in class, she is (FRIEND) than you
would expect. (2 changes required)
8. What a beautiful vase! That's the (LOVE) present I've ever had. (2 changes required)