Prefixes



1 **Write the prefixes beside the correct meaning.**

de- dis- mis- over- pre- re- un- under-

1 remove, reverse, not ___
2 too much ___
3 before ___
4 reverse or remove ___
5 again ___
6 less than, beneath ___
7 reverse or change ___
8 incorrectly, badly ___

2 **Complete the sentences with the correct prefix.**

1 I can't believe it. The mobile phone company ___charged me by £100. *dis- / over- / de-*
2 I don't think those figures are correct. Let's ___calculate them. *under- / pre- / re-*
3 Your office is so ___organised. I'm surprised you can find anything. *dis- / mis- / under-*
4 ___paid tickets cost £15. If we pay on the night, they will cost £20. *Under- / Pre- / Re-*
5 A lot of new business ___spend their money in the first year. *de- / un- / mis-*
6 We shouldn't ___estimate the amount of market share we have. *under- / dis- / pre-*

1 dis-	over-	de-
2 under-	pre-	re-
3 dis-	mis-	under-
4 under-	pre-	re-
5 de-	un-	mis-
6 under-	dis-	pre-

4 **Rewrite the sentences so that they have the same meaning. Look carefully at the underlined words and make any other changes necessary.**

1 The flat decreased in value.
2 The business spent too much money last month.
3 Your finances aren't organised.
4 Are there any bills not paid?
5 Can you write your business plan again?
6 Everything is paid before, so we don't need any money tonight.

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5 **Correct the underlined mistakes in the sentences.**

1 Don't disestimate how much work there will be to set up a business.
2 You've uncalculated the number of people coming to the presentation.
3 That's a lot of money. Are you sure they haven't uncharged you?
4 You can underarrange an appointment with our business manager.
5 That's a great price especially with a 25% overcount.



*"You're right ... it does look like business is a little **slow** these days."*

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3 Complete the sentences using a prefix from box A and a word from box B.

A
de- dis- mis- over- re- under-

B
activate agree calculate pay pronounced valued

1 I think I _____ the interviewer's name. It was very embarrassing.

2 In my opinion, some big businesses _____ their employees. It's ridiculous.

3 A lot of employees are _____ by their employers.

4 My phone company is going to _____ my account. I forgot to pay my last bill.

5 Let's _____ the finances for the first year. They don't look right.

6 I _____ with your opinion about our market share. We've got more than that.



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