

PREFIXES

1. Complete the text with the prefixes

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James Cameron is one of Hollywood's most successful directors. His _____-award winning films include The Terminator, Titanic and Avatar. When he isn't directing, he works as a scientist and explores the deepest parts of the ocean in a _____marine. But he _____achieved as a physics student, leaving university without a degree. After working as a lorry driver, he then worked in special effects before becoming a director. Some _____-colleagues describe him as a difficult person to work with. However, others say he is just a perfectionist who tries to _____manage every aspect of his films and sometimes _____reacts when things go wrong.

2. Complete the sentence with the prefixes

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- 1) My dad is _____retired – he still works two or three mornings a week.
- 2) The company lost millions because of _____management at the highest level.
- 3) Six of my _____workers have lost their jobs in the past year.
- 4) My last proper holiday from work was four years ago, although I've had a few _____breaks.
- 5) If we can't find the right person for the job, we'll just have to _____advertise.
- 6) She finished her university degree and then did a _____graduate qualification.
- 7) She never stops for lunch: she just drinks coffee and take _____vitamin pills.
- 8) I don't want to sound _____confident, but I'm sure I'll be good at this job.

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3. Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use one word only, beginning with a prefix from exercises 1 or 2.

1) *You cooked this meat for too long.*

You overcooked this meat.

2) Our team did not perform well enough last season.

Our team _____ last season.

3) I met a former school friend in a café in town.

I met an _____ in a café in town.

4) She's an expert in history after World War II.

She's an expert in _____ history.

5) I'm sorry, I typed your name incorrectly.

I'm sorry, I _____ your name.

6) They bought the house but sold it again a year later.

They bought the house but _____ it a year later.

7) Ben Stiller wrote Zoolander with two other writers.

Ben Stiller and two other writers _____ Zoolander.