

# Prefixes *in-*, *im-*, *il-*, *ir-*

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Vocabulary Strategies:  
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Read the prefix definitions below. Write a definition for each word in italics. Then write a sentence using that word.

Prefix	Definition	Example
<b>in-</b>	not, lack of	<b>inexperience</b> means <i>a lack of experience</i>
<b>im-</b>	not, lack of	<b>impossible</b> means <i>not possible</i>
<b>il-</b>	not, lack of	<b>illogical</b> means <i>not logical, a lack of logic</i>
<b>ir-</b>	not, lack of	<b>irrational</b> means <i>not rational</i>

1. *Immature* means \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. *Incapable* means \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

3. *Irrelevant* means \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

4. *Illiterate* means \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Write at least one additional word for each prefix. You may use a dictionary to help you.

5. **in-** \_\_\_\_\_

6. **im-** \_\_\_\_\_

7. **il-** \_\_\_\_\_

8. **ir-** \_\_\_\_\_