VOCABULARY: Prefix *mis-*

1 a What is the prefix *mis-* used for in English? Fill in the blanks with one of the nouns in the box.

> ~~misinformation~~   misinterpretation
> mispronunciation   misunderstandings   misuse

1 There is a lot of _misinformation_ about my language; people think it's difficult to learn, but it's not.

2 My language has a lot of false friends, it often leads to
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3 Sometimes, we use foreign words in our language, but we change the meaning, so often it's a
   .... of the original expression.

4 You have to be clear about what you say in a foreign language, otherwise your comments can be open to
   ....

5 .... is not really a problem in my language, because the sounds are very easy to produce.

2. Complete these sentences with an appropriate verb with the prefix *mis-*. Make sure the verb is in the correct form/tense.

Choose from the following options: **misinterpret, misspell, misread, misunderstand, misuse**

a. Pamela, you never understand what I say: you always _____my words.

b. It's impossible to _____his instructions: his writing is very clear.

c. People tend to _____my name because it's of Hungarian origin.

d. You have _____my words: I did not tell you to stay up, waiting for me!

e. The word "casualty" is usually _____by Spanish speakers.