Prefixes – ir, in, il, and im

The prefixes **ir, in, il,** and **im** usually mean **not**, as in **irregular** (not regular), **incapable** (not capable), **illegal** (not legal), and **immature** (not mature).
The prefix **im** can also mean to or into, as in **immigrant** (a person who comes into a foreign country to make a new home),

Here are some helpful spelling rules.

Words that follow:	begin with:
• The prefix **im**	**m, p**, or **b**
• The prefix **il**	**l**
• The prefix **ir**	**r**
• The prefix **in**	different letters

MISSING WORDS

Write the **list word** to complete each sentence. Prefix clues are provided.

1. A person who acts childishly is _____ (**im**)
2. A person who has little patience is _____ (**im**).
3. An _____ cannot read and write. (**il**)
4. Something that is _____, is against the law. (**il**)
5. A person who moves to a to a new country is an _____ (**im**)
6. Something that will never die is _____. (**im**)
7. A piece of writing that is impossible to read is _____. (**il**)
8. A badly paved road was done _____ and may look _____. (**im, ir**)
9. Someone who can't be trusted is _____. (**ir**)

illegal immature incapable illogical improperly irresponsible indirect impractical intolerant impolitely

impatient incredible irrational immigrant immaterial illegal illiterate indefinite immortal irregular

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