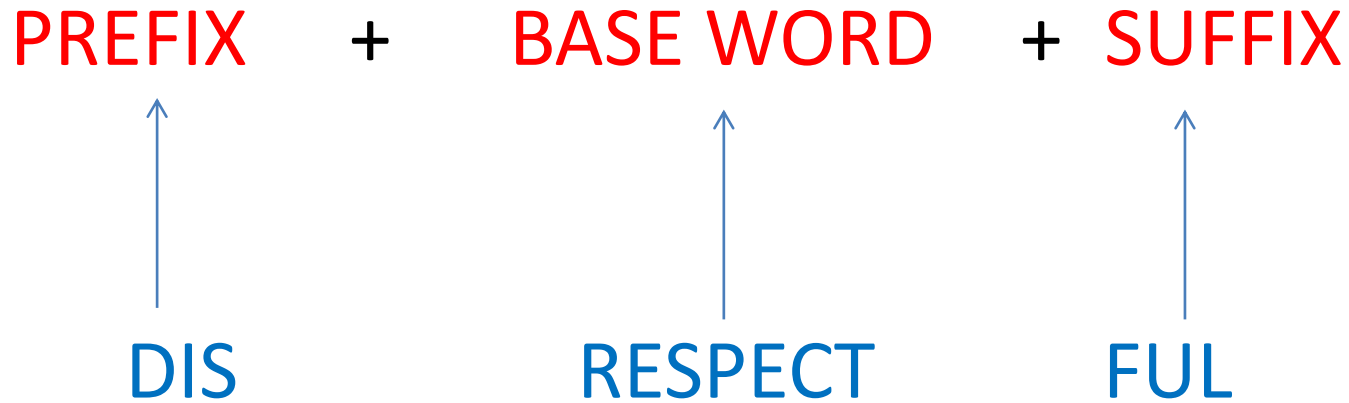


PREFIXES

Prefix	Word	= New Word
dis	connect	disconnect
re	do	redo
co	exist	coexist

- Combination of two words or more elements.
- This process is called **derivation** and it is the most common word process in English.
- Through derivation , a new word is formed by elements that can be placed before or/and after the base word.

- For example, the element **un-** is placed before the adjective **happy**, we have **unhappy**. These elements are called **affixes**.
- The affix before the base word is called **prefix**, and the element placed after the base word is called **suffix**.



In the example above, the word **disrespectful** is formed by both affixes – the prefix **dis-** and the suffix **-ful** – and it is derived from the root word **respect**.

Prefixes

- **Prefixes** can modify the original meaning of a root word, making a new word. They can do this by adding them in the beginning of a root word giving it a new signification or even its antonym.

ANTONYM



examples

- De- it means “opposite”, “remotion”, or also “reduction”.
- Deforestation
- Decrease
- Deindustrialization



En-, em-

- Describe action of making someone or something acquire a particular quality.
- **En**large
- **En**gage
- **En**gaged



Mis-

- The prefix can mean “wrong” or “bad”.
- **Misspell**
- **mis**behavior



Un-, in-, im-, il-, ir-

- Have a negative meaning , signifying “lack of something”.
- **Un**able
- **In**correct
- **Il**literate
- **Ir**rational



behaviour *noun*

(especially US English **behavior**)


BrE /bɪ'heɪvjə(r)/ ; NAmE /bɪ'heɪvjər/ 

Preciso


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 Add to my wordlist

1  [uncountable] the way that somebody behaves, especially towards other people


- **good/bad behaviour**
- **social/sexual/criminal behaviour**
- *His behaviour towards her was becoming more and more aggressive.*

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2  [uncountable, countable] the way a person, an animal, a plant, a chemical, etc. behaves or functions in a particular situation

- *the behaviour of dolphins/chromosomes*
- *studying human and animal behaviour*
- *(specialist) to study learned behaviours*

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