PREFIXES

Prefixes are widely used to form new words which may convey totally different meanings. A Prefix is placed before a root word to make a new word.

Examples:

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dis + play = display
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In this, DIS is a prefix which is placed in front of the root word PLAY to form another word which is DISPLAY here.

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mis + spell = misspell
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In this, MIS is a prefix which is placed in front of the root word SPELL to form another word which is MISSPELL here.

The most used prefixes are :

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a- = not, without
a- = to, towards
a- = of
ab- = also
ad- = also
ante- = before, preceding
anti- = opposing, against, the opposite
ant- = opposing, against, the opposite
any- = of all
be- = all over, all around
bi- = have, two in one
com- = with, jointly, completely
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col- = with, jointly, completely

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con- = with, jointly, completely
cor- = with, jointly, completely
contra- = against, opposite
counter- = opposition, opposite direction
de- down, away
dia- = through, across
die = through, across
dis- = negation, removal, expulsion
di- = negation, removal, expulsion
en- = put into or on
em- = put into or on
ex- = out
e- = out
ef- = out
extra- = outside, beyond
hemi- = half
hyper- = beyond, more than, more than normal
hypo- under
in- = not, without
il- = not, without
im- = not, without
il- = into, in, towards, inside
im- = into, towards, inside, in
ir- = in, into, towards, inside
infra- = below
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inter- = between, among
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intra- = inside, within

micro- = small

mis- = wrong, bad & hate

ob- = blocking, against, concealing

out- = surpassing, exceeding

out- = external, away from

over- = excessively, completely

over- = upper, outer, over, above

peri- = round, about

post- = after in time or order

pre- = before in time, place, order or importance

pro- = favouring, in support of

re- = again

semi- = half, partly

sub-= at a lower position

suc- = at a lower position

suf- = at a lower position

sug- = at a lower position

sup- = at a lower position

super- = over, above

sur- = at a lower position

sus- = at a lower position

syn- = in union, acting together

sym- in union, acting together

trans- = across, beyond

ultra- = beyond

un- = not

under- = beneath, below