

PREFIX

Prefixes and suffixes are grammatical “affixes”

(prefixes come before the root word, and suffixes come after).

In very simplistic terms, prefixes change the meaning of words, and suffixes change their form (including plural, tense, comparative, and part of speech).

Prefixes – Change the Meaning of Words Some of the most common prefixes are: Prefix Meaning

Examples

- Un- not unhappy, unsuccessful, unable
- Re- again redo, return, reappear
- Dis- not, undo disappear, disgrace, discontinue
- Inter- between International, internet, intermission
- Non- not nonsense, nonfiction, nonviolent
- Pre- before predawn, prefix, precaution
- Post- after postpone, postscript, postwar
- Poly- many polygamy, polyester, polyglot
- Sub- under subterranean, submarine, subordinate
- Co- together cooperate, collaborate, coordinate