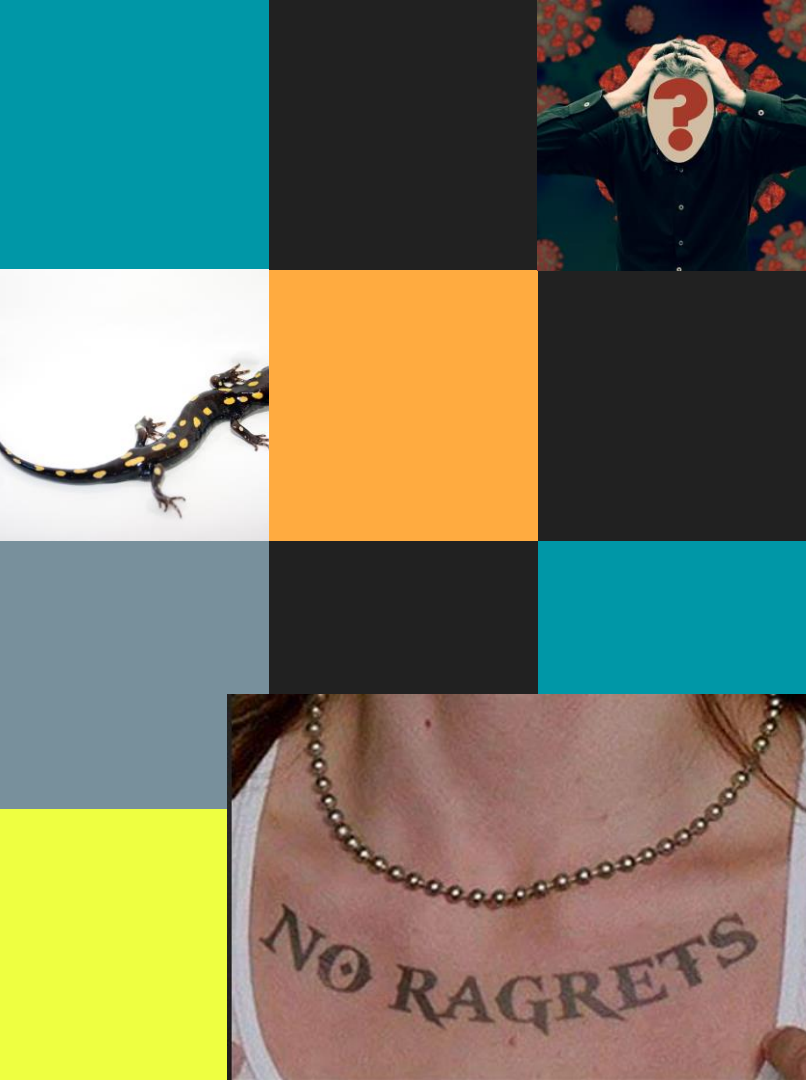


Why Morphology is so important for students with dyslexia



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A morpheme is the smallest unit of meaning in a word

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Let's apply what we've learned

1

Why would understanding the meaning of roots, prefixes, and suffixes help dyslexic students?

2

Could studying morphemes (morphology) help all students?

3

Share your answers with each other.

I 4 Valuable Morphemes

14 Valuable Word Roots

Root word	Meaning	Examples
cept, cap, ciev, or ceit	To take, to seize, to receive	capable, capsule, captive, captor; capture, accept, deception, exception, interception, conception, receptable, perceptive, precept, receive, receipt, deceive, deceit
duc, duce, or duct	To lead	conduct, deduct, educate, induce, introduction, produce, reduce, reduction, production
fac, fact, fic, fect	To make, (other various meanings)	fact, manufacture, faculty, facility, facile, facilitate, satisfaction, factor, beneficiary, amplification, certificate, confection, affect, defective disinfect, efficacy, magnificent, personification, sufficient, proficient
fer	To bring, bear, yield	refer, reference, confer, conference, inference, suffer, transfer, defer, differ, difference, fertilize, circumference, odoriferous
-graph	To write	autograph, photograph, bibliography
mit or miss	To send	mission, missile, missive, admit, admission, commit, dismissed, emissary, intermission, intermittent, remiss, remit, remittance, submit, remission, transmit, emit, permit, permission, permissive, transmission
-ology	The study of	archeology, biology, psychology, physiology
Plic, ply	To fold	implicit, implicitness, explicit, implication, replicate, complicated, application, ply, apply, imply, reply
pos, pon, pose	To put, place, set	position, compose, composite, dispose, oppose, component, postpone, proponent, deposit, compound, depose, preposition, disposal, exposition, exponent, expose, impose, suppose, opponent, proposition
scrib or script	To write	scribble, scribe, ascribe, describe, description, conscript, inscribe, inscription, superscription, prescribe, prescription, prescribe, script, scripture, transcript, transcription
sist, sta, or stat	To stand, endure	persist, consistent, consist, desist, assist, resist, assistant, insist, stamina, constant, distant, obstacle, standard, substance
spec or spect	To see, watch, observe	spectacles, spectator, inspection, respect, spectrum, disrespect, inspector, retrospective, species, special, specimen
tend, tens, tent	To stretch, strain	tendency, intend, intention, intently, extended, tense, intense, pretense, tension, attention, distend, detention, unintentionally, intensity
ten tent, or tain	To have, hold	tenant, tenable, tenacity, contents, contentment, intent, maintain, contain, retain, retentive

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Make as many words as you can with
these morphemes

FREE VS. BOUND MORPHEMES

Free Morphemes

Free morphemes have meaning on their own.

They stand alone as complete words.

Examples:

hope dream cat agree

Bound Morphemes

Bound morphemes hold meaning, but they cannot stand on their own. They must be connected to another morpheme.

Bound vs. Free Morphemes

Free morpheme - port. Import, export, report, portable.

Bound morphemes need another morpheme to make a word.
For example tele - telegraph, telephone, telekinesis.

Prefixes and suffixes are bound morphemes

INFLECTIONAL & DERIVATIONAL MORPHEMES

Inflectional

- ✓ Added to words to change the form or usage of the word.
- ✓ They can pluralize the word.
apartment → apartments
- ✓ They can also change the verb tense.
shout → shouted
- ✓ Only suffixes are inflectional.
- ✓ Instruction begins in the early primary grades.

Examples:

-s, -es
-ed
-ing
-er, -est

Comparative
& Superlative

Derivational

- ✓ Added to words to form new words.
- ✓ They can change the meaning of the word.
correct → incorrect
- ✓ They can also change the part of speech of the word.
friend → friendly
(noun) (adjective)
- ✓ Prefixes and suffixes can be derivational.
- ✓ Instruction on derivational affixes is ongoing.

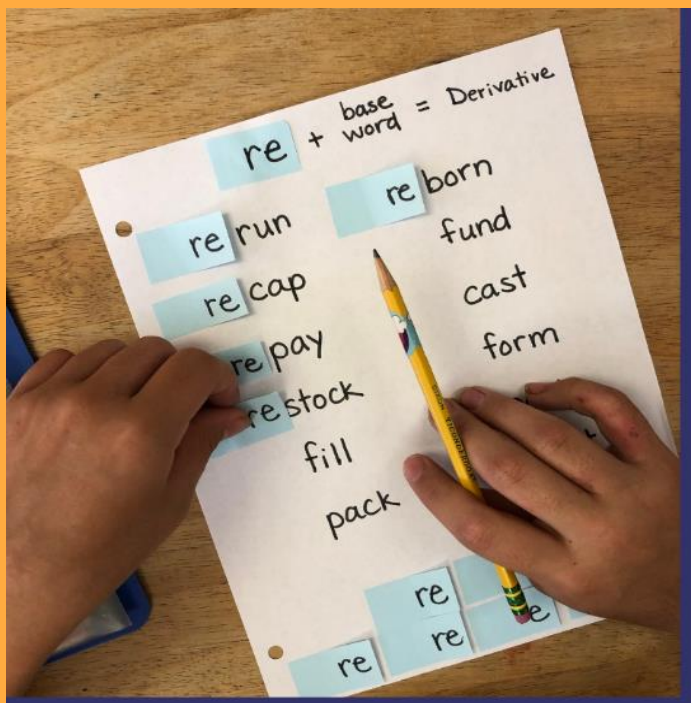
Examples:

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-ly
-less

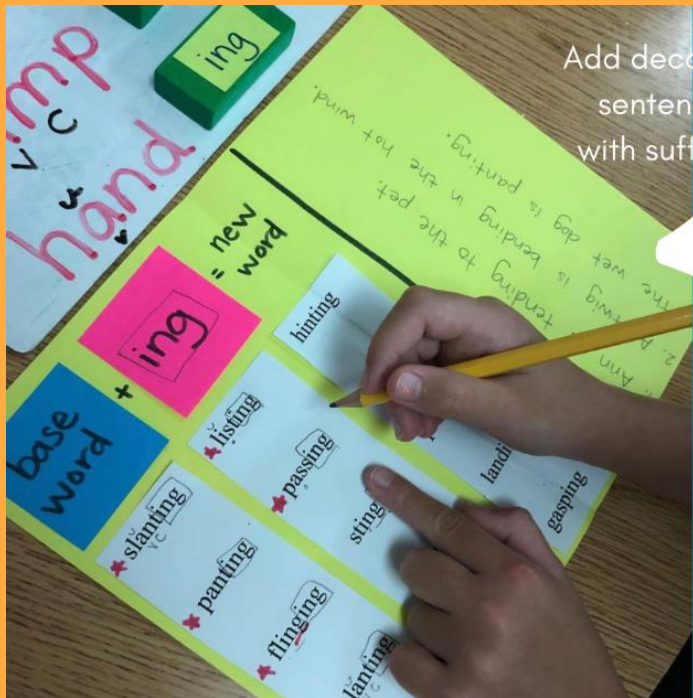
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Prefix, Suffix = Affix

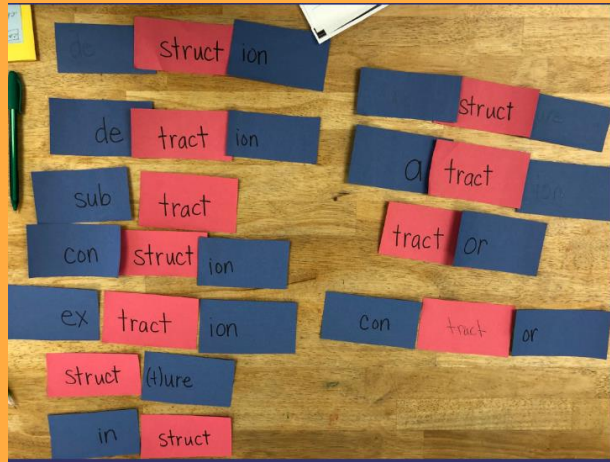
Both prefixes and suffixes fall in the category of an affix. An affix can be added to word to change its meaning.



Multisensory Strategies to teach morphemes



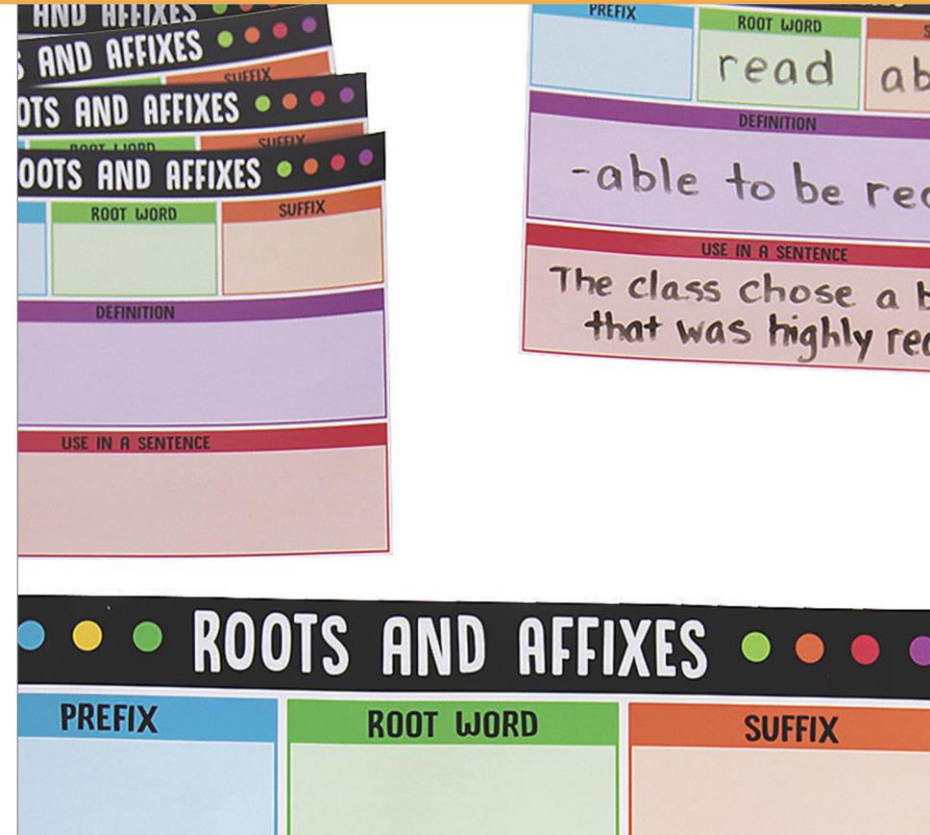
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The goal is to have the information in working memory



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Just see it



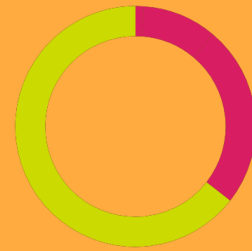
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See and hear



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Provide Repetition



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Make it Multisensory

Break

