

EXACT TEKS WORDING (FROM TEA)

“identify the meaning of and use words with affixes such as im- (into), non-, dis-, in- (not, non), pre-, -ness, -y, and -ful”

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN TO ME?

Big words are built from smaller parts. Each part carries meaning.

When I find a prefix, suffix, or root, I can use it to figure out a word I do not know.

I check my meaning in the sentence to be sure it makes sense.

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

SUFFIX -ER

The suffix **-er** means “more”. A suffix is a word part added to the end of a base word. It changes what the word means or how the word is used.

from “**The Lunchroom Discoveries**”

This week we move across five thinking levels: **NOTICE** → **CHOOSE** → **SHOW** → **OWN** → **DEFEND**.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

NOTICE

I can notice word parts.

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Notice the suffix.

Read this sentence from the passage. Find the word with the suffix -er.

“His discoveries helped people learn how to make many foods safer.”

I CAN I can find a word with the suffix -er in our reading.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

CHOOSE

I can choose the meaning of a word part.

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Choose what -er means.

The word safer has the suffix -er. What does -er mean?

safer = safe + er

A. more B. a person who C. not

I CAN I can choose the meaning of the suffix -er.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

SHOW

I can break a word into parts.

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Show how the parts build the word.

Break the word harder into parts. What does it mean in this sentence?

“Before scientists understood germs, it was much harder to prevent disease.”

harder = _____ + _____

I CAN I can break a word into parts and build its meaning.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

OWN

I can build and use new words.

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Own it. Build and use your own word.

Build a word with the suffix -er. Use your new word in a sentence.

cold + er = ? • fast + er = ? • quiet + er = ?

Build one word. Use it in a sentence.

I CAN I can build new words with the suffix -er and use them correctly.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

DEFEND

I can defend a word's meaning.

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Defend the meaning.

How do the suffix and the sentence prove what louder means?

“NARRATOR: The cafeteria becomes louder as lunch begins to end.”

Use the word part AND the sentence to explain.

I CAN I can use a word part and the sentence to prove what a word means.

Your turn. Find more word parts.

Go back to the passage. Find another word with the suffix -er or another word part you know. Break it apart and explain it.

Go back to the reading.

Find one more word with a word part.

Write the word, break it into parts, and tell what it means.

I CAN I can break a new word into parts and explain its meaning.

Answers across the five thinking levels.

NOTICE

Safer. It has the suffix -er: safe + er.

CHOOSE

A. more. Safer means more safe.

SHOW

Hard + er. In this sentence, harder means more hard; more difficult.

OWN

colder, faster, quieter. Answers vary. Example: The hallway gets quieter after the bell rings.

DEFEND

The suffix -er means more, so louder means more loud. As lunch ends, more students talk and move, so the room gets noisier.

YOUR TURN

Answers vary. One example: scientists (science + ist), which means people who study science.

READ THIS SENTENCE FROM THE PASSAGE.

His discoveries helped people learn how to make many foods safer.

The suffix -er helps the reader understand that safer foods are what?

- A** not safe to eat at any time at all
- B** people who keep foods safe
- C** more safe than they were before
- D** safe one more time again

The answer is C.

- A** **not safe to eat at any time at all**
The suffix -er does not mean not.
- B** **people who keep foods safe**
A person who is a different meaning of -er.
- C** **more safe than they were before**
Correct. Safe + er means more safe. Pasteur's discoveries helped.
- D** **safe one more time again**
Again is the meaning of re-, not -er.