

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 -NESS

The suffix **-ness** means “the state of being”. 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 Founding Fathers**”

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

Notice the suffix.

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

“The Founding Fathers believed that dividing power would help protect freedom and fairness.”

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

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

CHOOSE

I can choose the meaning of a word part.

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

Choose what -ness means.

The word fairness has the suffix -ness. What does -ness mean?

fairness = fair + ness

A. before B. without C. the state of being

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

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 willingness into parts. What does it mean in this sentence?

“Their willingness to work together helped them make progress toward their goals.”

willingness = _____ + _____

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 -ness. Use your new word in a sentence.

happy + ness = ? • kind + ness = ? • sick + ness = ?

Build one word. Use it in a sentence.

I CAN I can build new words with the suffix -ness 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 willingness means?

“Their willingness to listen to different viewpoints helped them create a plan that many people could support.”

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 -ness 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 Fairness. It has the suffix -ness: fair + ness.

CHOOSE C. the state of being. Fairness means the state of being fair.

SHOW Willing + ness. In this sentence, willingness means the state of being willing, or ready to do something.

OWN happiness, kindness, sickness. Answers vary. Example: Her kindness made the new student feel welcome.

DEFEND The suffix -ness means the state of being, so willingness means being willing. Listening to different viewpoints shows they were ready to try.

YOUR TURN Answers vary. One example: happiness (happy + ness), which means the state of being happy.

READ THIS SENTENCE FROM THE PASSAGE.

The Founding Fathers believed that dividing power would help protect freedom and fairness.

The suffix -ness helps the reader understand that fairness means what?

- A** the state of being fair to all
- B** not being fair to anyone
- C** a person who acts fairly
- D** dividing power into three branches

The answer is A.

- A** **the state of being fair to all**
Correct. Fair + ness means the state of being fair. Dividing power helped.
- B** **not being fair to anyone**
Not is the meaning of un- or in-, not -ness.
- C** **a person who acts fairly**
A person who is the meaning of -er, not -ness.
- D** **dividing power into three branches**
That is how they protected fairness, not what it means.