

EXACT TEKS WORDING (FROM TEA)

“determine the meaning of and use words with affixes such as mis-, sub-, -ment, and -ity/ty and roots such as auto, graph, and meter”

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**PREFIX UN-**

The prefix **un-** means “not”. A prefix is a word part added to the beginning of a base word. It changes what the word means.

from “**Dream**”

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 prefix.

Read this sentence from the passage. Find the word with the prefix un-.

“Some of his words were unfamiliar to me.”

I CAN I can find a word with the prefix un- in our reading.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

CHOOSE

I can choose the meaning of a word part.

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Choose what un- means.

The word unfamiliar has the prefix un-. What does un- mean?

unfamiliar = un + familiar

A. again B. not C. before

I CAN I can choose the meaning of the prefix un-.

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

“Mama noticed my uncomfortable expression and gave my hand a gentle squeeze.”

uncomfortable = _____ + _____

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 prefix un-. Use your new word in a sentence.

un + safe = ? • un + kind = ? • un + lock = ?

Build one word. Use it in a sentence.

I CAN I can build new words with the prefix un- 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 prefix and the sentence prove what unforgettable means?

“I was only eight years old, and everything around me seemed important, exciting, and unforgettable.”

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 prefix un- 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

Unfamiliar. It has the prefix un-: un + familiar.

CHOOSE

B. not. Unfamiliar means not known well; new to me.

SHOW

Un + comfortable. In this sentence, uncomfortable means not feeling at ease.

OWN

unsafe, unkind, unlock. Answers vary. Example: The broken swing was unsafe, so we played tag instead.

DEFEND

Un- means not, so unforgettable means not able to be forgotten. The sentence says everything seemed important and exciting, things you remember.

YOUR TURN

Answers vary. One example: uncomfortable (un + comfortable), which means not feeling at ease.

READ THIS SENTENCE FROM THE PASSAGE.

Mama noticed my uncomfortable expression and gave my hand a gentle squeeze.

The prefix un- helps the reader understand that the narrator feels what?

- A** comfortable once again after a while
- B** comfortable before the speech began
- C** not at ease with what is happening
- D** very comfortable next to her mother

The answer is **C**.

- A** **comfortable once again after a while**
Once again is the meaning of re-, not un-.
- B** **comfortable before the speech began**
Before is the meaning of pre-, not un-.
- C** **not at ease with what is happening**
Correct. Un- means not. The gentle squeeze shows Mama was trying to comfort her.
- D** **very comfortable next to her mother**
Un- does not make a word stronger. It means not.