

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 “A Promise Written Long Ago”

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-.

“The king collected heavy taxes and made unfair decisions.”

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 unfair has the prefix un-. What does un- mean?

unfair = un + fair

A. again B. under C. not

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

“Many people, especially powerful landowners called barons, were unhappy with how he treated them.”

unhappy = _____ + _____

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 + able = ? • un + known = ? • un + tie = ?

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 unlimited means?

“The Magna Carta challenged the belief that rulers should have unlimited authority.”

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

Unfair. It has the prefix un-: un + fair.

CHOOSE

C. not. Unfair means not fair; not treating people equally.

SHOW

Un + happy. In this sentence, unhappy means not happy; upset.

OWN

unable, unknown, untie. Answers vary. Example: I was unable to reach the top shelf without a stool.

DEFEND

Un- means not, so unlimited means not limited. The sentence says the Magna Carta challenged that belief, so rulers should have limits on their power.

YOUR TURN

Answers vary. One example: unusual (un + usual), which means not usual; rare.

READ THIS SENTENCE FROM THE PASSAGE.

At the time, this idea was unusual because many rulers believed they could govern however they wished.

Based on the prefix un- and the sentence, unusual means the idea was what?

- A** usual again after many long years
- B** usual before the king came to power
- C** not common for people of that time
- D** very usual for rulers everywhere

The answer is **C**.

- A** **usual again after many long years**
Again is the meaning of re-, not un-.
- B** **usual before the king came to power**
Before is the meaning of pre-, not un-.
- C** **not common for people of that time**
Correct. Un- means not. Most rulers believed something different, so the idea was not usual.
- D** **very usual for rulers everywhere**
The sentence says rulers believed the opposite, so the idea was not usual.