

**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 SUB-

The prefix **sub-** means “under; a smaller part of”. A prefix is a word part added to the beginning of a base word. It changes what the word means.

from “**Voices That Shaped Texas**”

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 sub-.

**“Their work reminds us that different subgroups of people helped build Texas culture.”**

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

## TODAY'S THINKING JOB

## CHOOSE

I can choose the meaning of a word part.

## EXACT TEKS WORDING

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**Choose what sub- means.**

The word subgroups has the prefix sub-. What does sub- mean?

subgroups = sub + groups

A. again   B. not   C. under; a smaller part of

**I CAN** I can choose the meaning of the prefix sub-.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

## SHOW

I can break a word into parts.

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*“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”*

### Show how the parts build the word.

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

EXTRA EXAMPLE (NOT FROM THE PASSAGE)

“Maya added a subheading about Tejano music under the title of her report.”

subheading = \_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_

**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 sub-. Use your new word in a sentence.

sub + way = ? • sub + heading = ? • sub + marine = ?

Build one word. Use it in a sentence.

**I CAN** I can build new words with the prefix sub- 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 subheading means?

EXTRA EXAMPLE (NOT FROM THE PASSAGE)

“Maya added a subheading about Tejano music under the title of her report.”

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 sub- 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** Subgroups. It has the prefix sub-: sub + groups.

**CHOOSE** C. under; a smaller part of. Subgroups means smaller groups that are part of a larger group.

**SHOW** Sub + heading. In this sentence, subheading means a smaller heading under the main title.

**OWN** subway, subheading, submarine. Answers vary. Example: Each subheading in my report named a different Texas festival.

**DEFEND** Sub- means under or a smaller part. A subheading sits under the big title and names a smaller part of the report on Texas music.

**YOUR TURN** Answers vary. One example: performers (perform + er), which means people who perform.

READ THIS SENTENCE FROM THE PASSAGE.

**Their work reminds us that different subgroups of people helped build Texas culture.**

**The prefix sub- means under or part of. This helps the reader understand that subgroups are what?**

- A** groups that meet again after a long time
- B** groups of people who are not from Texas
- C** groups of people who live deep under the ground
- D** smaller groups that are part of a larger group

**The answer is D.**

- A** **groups that meet again after a long time**  
Again is the meaning of re-, not sub-.
- B** **groups of people who are not from Texas**  
Not is the meaning of un- or non-, not sub-.
- C** **groups of people who live deep under the ground**  
Sub- can mean under, but the sentence is about culture, not the ground.
- D** **smaller groups that are part of a larger group**  
Correct. Sub- means under or part of. Many subgroups together make up Texas culture.