

EXACT TEKS WORDING (FROM TEA)

“demonstrate and apply spelling knowledge by spelling words using knowledge of prefixes”

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN TO ME?

A prefix is a word part added to the front of a word.

The prefix non means not; the prefix em means to put into or make.

The base word keeps its spelling when you add the prefix.

THE SPELLING RULE

Prefixes non and em

nonsense nonstop nonfiction nonliving
nonprofit embrace embark empower employ
embed

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WHERE THEY APPEAR: “The nonfiction book will empower young readers.”

This deck teaches **Prefixes non and em** across the five RPLD thinking levels: **NOTICE** → **CHOOSE** → **SHOW** → **OWN** → **DEFEND**.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

NOTICE

"I can notice the prefix."

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Notice the prefix.

Find the prefix inside the word.

nonsense = non + sense

I CAN I can notice the prefix in a word.

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CHOOSE

"I can choose the correct spelling."

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Choose the correct spelling.

Which spelling is correct?

nonsense • nonsence • nonsanse

I CAN I can choose the correctly spelled word.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

SHOW**"I can show the rule with a prefix word."****EXACT TEKS WORDING***"demonstrate and apply spelling knowledge by spelling words using knowledge of prefixes"***Show the rule.**

Build or spell the word.

non + stop = _____**I CAN** I can build the word correctly.

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OWN

"I can own the rule with a new word."

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Own the rule.

Build a new word on your own.

em + power = _____

I CAN I can spell a new word on my own.

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DEFEND

"I can explain and transfer the rule."

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Explain and transfer.

Explain the prefix, then spell one word of your own.

"The nonstop show will empower the whole team," she said.

I CAN I can explain the prefix and use a word in my own writing.

Your turn to spell.

Build each word, then use one in a sentence about the reading.

non + sense → _____ **non + stop** → _____ **non + fiction** → _____ **em + brace**
→ _____ **em + power** → _____

I CAN I can spell words with the prefix on my own.

Answers, across the five thinking levels.

NOTICE

nonsense = non + sense.

CHOOSE

nonsense is correct.

SHOW

non + stop = nonstop.

OWN

em + power = empower.

DEFEND

The prefix keeps its spelling in every word; a correct student word might be nonstop, nonfiction, or nonliving.

YOUR TURN

nonsense, nonstop, nonfiction, embrace, empower

READ THIS SENTENCE.

Each choice is one way to spell the same word.

Which word is spelled correctly?

A nonfiction

B nonficton

C nonfixion

D nonfiktion

The answer is **A**.

A nonfiction · Correct. non + fiction keeps the base word whole.

B nonficton · Leaves out the i in tion.

C nonfixion · Spells the tion ending as xion.

D nonfiktion · Uses k for the c sound.