

EXACT TEKS WORDING (FROM TEA)

“identify the meaning of and use words with affixes such as trans-, super-, -ive, and -logy and roots such as geo and photo”

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 “**Words That Changed a Nation**”

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 suffix.

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

“Its words encouraged people to think about fairness, liberty, equality, and the responsibilities of both citizens and government.”

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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Choose what -ness means.

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

fairness = fair + ness

A. a person who B. again 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 happiness into parts. What does it mean in this sentence?

“It also stated that people are born with certain unalienable rights, including life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.”

happiness = ____ + ____

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.

kind + ness = ? • dark + ness = ? • sad + 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 fairness means?

“Its words encouraged people to think about fairness, liberty, equality, and the responsibilities of both citizens and government.”

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 Happy + ness. In this sentence, happiness means the state of being happy.

OWN kindness, darkness, sadness. Answers vary. Example: Her kindness made the new student feel welcome.

DEFEND Fair plus -ness means the state of being fair. The sentence lists it with liberty and equality, which are ideas about how people are treated.

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

READ THIS SENTENCE FROM THE PASSAGE.

It also stated that people are born with certain unalienable rights, including life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

The suffix -ness helps the reader understand that happiness is what?

- A** a person who is happy
- B** the state of being happy
- C** being very happy once again
- D** the right to be alive

The answer is B.

- A** **a person who is happy**
A person who fits the suffix -er, not -ness.
- B** **the state of being happy**
Correct. Happy plus -ness means the state of being happy.
- C** **being very happy once again**
Again is the meaning of re-, not -ness.
- D** **the right to be alive**
Life is a nearby detail, not the meaning.