

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 -ITY

The suffix **-ity** means “the state or quality of”. 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 “A Visit to the Workshop”

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 -ity.

“It buzzed with activity.”

I CAN I can find a word with the suffix -ity in our reading.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

CHOOSE

I can choose the meaning of a word part.

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Choose what -ity means.

The word activity has the suffix -ity. What does -ity mean?

activity = active + ity

A. the state or quality of B. a person who C. before

I CAN I can choose the meaning of the suffix -ity.

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

“Another studied the machine that provided electricity.”

electricity = _____ + _____

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 -ity. Use your new word in a sentence.

real + ity = ? • able + ity = ? • equal + ity = ?

Build one word. Use it in a sentence.

I CAN I can build new words with the suffix -ity 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 electricity means?

“They need a way to send electricity to many homes and businesses.”

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 -ity 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 Activity. It has the suffix -ity: active + ity.

CHOOSE A. the state or quality of. Activity means things happening; the state of being active.

SHOW Electric + ity. In this sentence, electricity means electric energy that gives power.

OWN reality, ability, equality. Answers vary. Example: Reading takes practice, and my ability grows each day.

DEFEND Electric plus -ity names electric energy. The sentence says it must be sent to homes, which fits power that travels through wires.

YOUR TURN Answers vary. One example: activity (active + ity), which means the state of being active.

READ THIS SENTENCE FROM THE PASSAGE.

It buzzed with activity.

The suffix -ity helps the reader understand that activity means what?

- A** a person who is busy and active
- B** the act of doing things once again
- C** a sound that bees make at night
- D** the state of being busy and active

The answer is D.

- A** **a person who is busy and active**
A person fits the suffix -er, not -ity.
- B** **the act of doing things once again**
Again is the meaning of re-, not -ity.
- C** **a sound that bees make at night**
Buzzed is a nearby word, not the meaning.
- D** **the state of being busy and active**
Correct. Active plus -ity names the state of being active.