

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 semi means half or partly; anti means against.

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

THE SPELLING RULE

Prefixes semi and anti

semicircle semifinal semicolon semisweet
semiannual antibiotic antifreeze antisocial
antibody antiviral

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WHERE THEY APPEAR: “We sat in a semicircle to learn about antibiotics.”

This deck teaches **Prefixes semi and anti** 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.

semicircle = semi + circle

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?

antibiotic • antibotic • antibiodic

I CAN I can choose the correctly spelled word.

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SHOW

"I can show the rule with a prefix word."

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Show the rule.

Build or spell the word.

semi + final = _____

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.

anti + freeze = _____

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.

"We drew a semicircle and read about an antibiotic," 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.

semi + circle → _____ **semi + final** → _____ **anti + biotic** → _____ **anti +**
freeze → _____ **anti + social** → _____

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

Answers, across the five thinking levels.

NOTICE

semicircle = semi + circle.

CHOOSE

antibiotic is correct.

SHOW

semi + final = semifinal.

OWN

anti + freeze = antifreeze.

DEFEND

The prefix keeps its spelling in every word; a correct student word might be semifinal, semicolon, or semisweet.

YOUR TURN

semicircle, semifinal, antibiotic, antifreeze, antisocial

READ THIS SENTENCE.

Each choice is one way to spell the same word.

Which word is spelled correctly?

A antibiotic

B antibotic

C antibiodic

D antibiotick

The answer is **A**.

A antibiotic · Correct. anti + biotic keeps bio and tic.

B antibotic · Leaves out the i in bio.

C antibiodic · Spells tic as dic.

D antibiotick · Adds a k.