

Name _____

Prefixes

Generalization When prefixes **pre-**, **mid-**, **over-**, and **out-** are added to words, the base words stay the same: **prepaid**, **midnight**, **overflow**, **outdoors**.

Word Sort Sort the list words by prefix.

pre-

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

mid-

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

over-

7. _____

8. _____

9. _____

10. _____

out-

11. _____

12. _____

13. _____

14. _____

15. _____

Spelling Words

1. prepaid
2. midnight
3. overflow
4. outdoors
5. outline
6. overgrown
7. prefix
8. Midwest

9. pretest
10. midpoint
11. outgoing
12. overtime
13. overdue
14. outside
15. outfield

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Home Activity Your child is learning to spell words with the prefixes *pre-*, *mid-*, *over-*, and *out-*. To practice at home, have your child write each spelling word and draw a line between the prefix and root word.

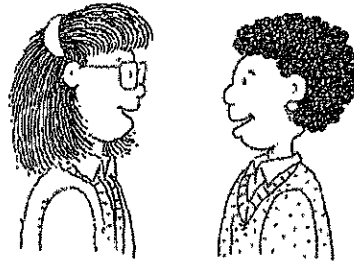
Prefixes

Spelling Words

prepaid	midnight	overflow	outdoors	outline
overgrown	prefix	Midwest	pretest	midpoint
outgoing	overtime	overdue	outside	outfield

Context Clues Sue made a list of phrases about her best friend. Write a list word to complete each phrase.

1. very _____
2. colors _____ the lines
3. from the _____
4. always has an _____ library book
5. likes being _____
6. never stays awake until _____



Definitions Fill in the circle to show the correct definition.

7. Prepaid means
 - you paid ahead of time.
 - you paid too much.
8. Overgrown means
 - something grew too much.
 - your growth spurt is finished.
9. Pretest means
 - a test about prefixes.
 - a test to see what you already know.
10. Overtime means
 - it's getting late.
 - you worked extra hours.
11. Outline means
 - you can't color inside the lines.
 - you draw a line around the outside edge.
12. Midpoint means
 - middle part of anything.
 - near the end.



Home Activity Your child has been learning to spell words with prefixes. Ask your child to spell each word and use it in a sentence.

Name _____

Prefixes *pre-*, *mid-*, *over-*, *bi-*, *out-*, *de-*

Directions Add the prefix *pre-*, *mid-*, *over-*, *out-*, or *de-* to each base word.

Write the new word on the line.

1. *over-* + load = _____
2. *out-* + going = _____
3. *pre-* + paid = _____
4. *mid-* + point = _____
5. *de-* + code = _____

Directions Choose the word from the box that best fits the definition. Write the word on the line.

_____ 6. a word part added to the beginning of a word

_____ 7. a vehicle with two wheels

_____ 8. bursting forth

_____ 9. the middle of the week

_____ 10. to thaw something that is frozen

bicycle
midweek
outburst
defrost
prefix

Directions Add the prefix *pre-*, *mid-*, *over-*, *bi-*, or *out-* to the base word in () to complete each sentence. Write the word on the line.

_____ 11. Elena began to collect rocks when she was in (school).

_____ 12. She thought this hobby would (last) any of her other hobbies.

_____ 13. It is easy to (look) rocks during the day.

_____ 14. She found a (color) rock one day.

_____ 15. Finding them at (night) is nearly impossible.



Home Activity Your child formed and wrote words with the prefixes *pre-*, *mid-*, *over-*, *bi-*, *out-*, and *de-*. Work together to list other words with these prefixes, such as *pretest*, *midway*, *overhead*, *bilingual*, *outgrow*, and *deflate*. Have your child use each word in a sentence.

Prefixes

Spelling Words				
prepaid	midnight	overflow	outdoors	outline
overgrown	prefix	Midwest	pretest	midpoint
outgoing	overtime	overdue	outside	outfield

Context Clues Write a list word that best completes each sentence.

- Dad had to work _____ .
- He stayed up until _____ .
- The sink began to _____ .
- My uncle is flying to the _____ .
- The word *midpoint* has a _____ .
- My sister is _____ .
- Before you begin your report, make an _____ .
- The shrubs look _____ .
- Our teacher had us take a _____ .
- My library book is _____ .

Missing Prefixes Write the prefix. Write the list word.

- | | |
|-----------------|-----------|
| 11. _____ doors | 11. _____ |
| 12. _____ point | 12. _____ |
| 13. _____ paid | 13. _____ |
| 14. _____ side | 14. _____ |
| 15. _____ field | 15. _____ |



Home Activity Your child spelled words with the prefixes *pre-*, *mid-*, *over-*, and *out-*. Have your child make up sentences using the answers to Exercises 11 to 15 on this page.

Name _____

Prefixes

Proofread an Announcement Circle four misspelled words. Write them correctly. Rewrite the sentence that has an incorrect verb.

Night Hike

Learn about creatures of the night!

Meet outside the nature center. Dress for outdoors and wear long pants. Some areas is overgroan.

8 P.M. to mid night

Bring a freind!

Note: The \$2 fee must be prepaid.

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- outfield

1. _____ 2. _____
 3. _____ 4. _____
 5. _____

Frequently Misspelled Words

- outside
- friend

Proofread Words Fill in a circle to show which word is spelled correctly. Write the word.

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| 8. | <input type="radio"/> outgoing | <input type="radio"/> ootgoing | <input type="radio"/> outtgoing | _____ |
| 9. | <input type="radio"/> midpoin | <input type="radio"/> midpointe | <input type="radio"/> midpoint | _____ |
| 10. | <input type="radio"/> outfield | <input type="radio"/> outfeild | <input type="radio"/> outfeeled | _____ |
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| 12. | <input type="radio"/> ovrtime | <input type="radio"/> overrrtime | <input type="radio"/> overtime | _____ |



Home Activity Your child identified misspelled words with the prefixes *pre-*, *mid-*, *over-*, and *out-*. Pronounce a word. Ask your child to identify the prefix and spell the word.

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Prefixes

Directions Add the prefix **pre-**, **de-**, **mid-**, **over-**, **out-**, or **bi-** to each base word. Write the new word on the line.

- 1. pre- + fix = _____
- 2. bi- + cycle = _____
- 3. over- + pay = _____
- 4. pre- + paid = _____
- 5. out- + guess = _____
- 6. de- + frost = _____
- 7. over- + sleep = _____
- 8. mid- + night = _____
- 9. out- + shine = _____
- 10. bi- + monthly = _____
- 11. mid- + summer = _____
- 12. de- + claw = _____

Directions Match one of the words you wrote above to each definition. Write the word on the line.

- 11. to shine more brightly than _____
- 12. the middle of the night _____
- 13. machine with two wheels _____
- 14. pay too much _____
- 15. paid for beforehand _____
- 16. remove the claws from _____

Home Activity Your child wrote words with the prefixes *pre-* (*prepaid*), *mid-* (*midnight*), *over-* (*oversleep*), *out-* (*outshine*), *de-* (*declaw*), and *bi-* (*bicycle*). Read an article about Olympic athletes to your child. Have him or her look for words with prefixes. Together, predict what each word might mean and then look it up in a dictionary.

