

# PREFIXES, SUFFIXES AND ROOT WORDS

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Suffix - comes after the root.

Prefix - comes before the root.

Root words - main part of the word.

Let's look at the word - **unfortunate**

- The main part of the word is fortune (root).
- -ate is the suffix. It changes the meaning of the word, fortune becomes fortunate.
- -un is the prefix. It also changes the meaning of the word, fortunate becomes unfortunate.

Prefixes often give us a clue to the meaning of the word.

**Tri** means three, which means

A **triangle** is a shape with three angles.

A **tricycle** is a three-wheeled vehicle.

A **trilogy** is a group of three literary works.

Prefixes often indicate number, i.e. **uni-** means one and **bi-** means two.

Suffixes change the root word to form nouns, verbs, adjectives and adverbs. For example, from the verb satisfy, we can get;

**satisfaction** (noun)

**satisfactory** (adjective)

**satisfactorily** (adverb)