

Meaning of prefixes and suffixes

Grade 5 Vocabulary Worksheet

Below are prefixes and suffixes and their meanings.

Write 3 words for each prefix or suffix. Then write each word's meaning.

Suffix: -tive

Meaning: inclined, tending toward

#1: _____

#2: _____

#3: _____

Prefix: inter-

Meaning: between

#1: _____

#2: _____

#3: _____

Suffix: -ence

Meaning: action, condition of

#1: _____

#2: _____

#3: _____

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Answers:

Answers will vary. Example answers below.

Suffix: -tive

Meaning: inclined, tending toward

#1: talkative

fond of or given to talking

#2: active

engaging in physically energetic pursuits

#3: sensitive

displaying a quick and delicate appreciation of others' feelings

Prefix: inter-

Meaning: between

#1: intercept

obstruct to prevent someone from continuing to a destination

#2: interview

a formal meeting at which someone is asked questions in order to find out if they are suitable for a job

#3: interstate

existing or carried on between states

Suffix: -ence

Meaning: action, condition of

#1: persistence

firm continuance in a course of action in spite of difficulty

#2: excellence

being outstanding or extremely good

#3: preference

a greater liking for one alternative over another