Spelling at St. Dunstan's

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breaking words into individual sounds.

Key Vocabulary

Phonemes are the smallest units of sounds.



Graphemes are the written representation of sounds.



Segmenting

Segmenting is breaking up words into the smallest units of sounds.

For example, we spell the word 'fish' by segmenting it into three sounds.



<u>Segmenting</u>

For example:

1.
$$spoon = s - p - oo - n$$

2. bright =
$$b - r - igh - t$$

3. strong =
$$s - t - r - o - ng$$

4. hairbrush =
$$h - air - b - r - u - sh$$

5. appearance =
$$a - pp - ear - a - n - ce$$



<u>Segmenting</u>

Have a go at these:

- 1. ceiling =
- 2. airport =
- 3. emphasise =
- 4. withdraw =
- 5. judgement =



<u>Segmenting</u>

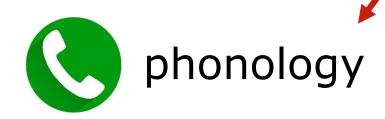
Let's check:

- 1. ceiling = c ei l i ng
- 2. airport = air p or t
- 3. emphasise = e m ph a s i s e
- 4. withdraw = w i th d r aw
- 5. judgement = j u dge m e n t



Do you have any questions about phonology?















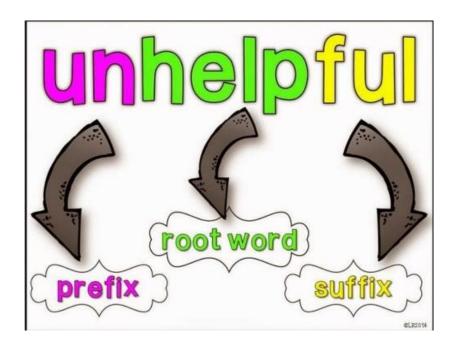
breaking words into chunks of meaning

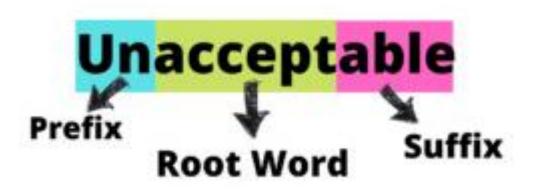
Morphology



✓ Consistent in meaning

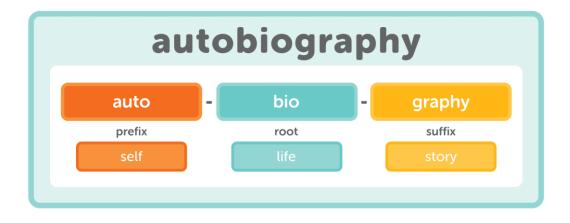
✓ Consistent in spelling











Can you identify the prefix, root word and suffix in each of these words?

- 1. disagreement
- 2. international
- 3. unpredictable
- 4. irreplaceable

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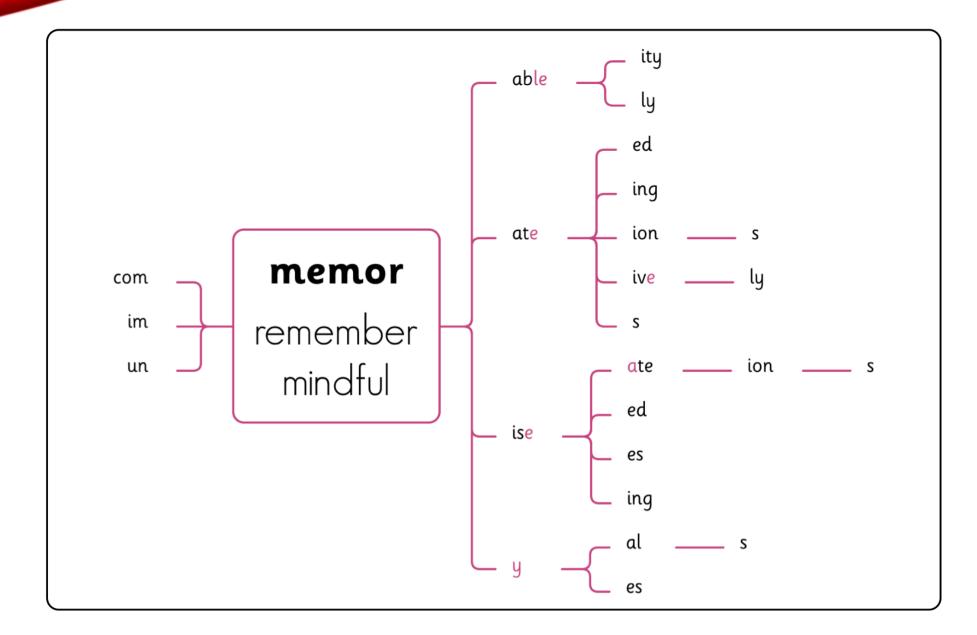
- 1. disagreement = dis + agree + ment
- 2. international = inter + nation + al
- 3. unpredictable = un + predict + able
- 4. irreplaceable = ir + replace + able



remember, mindful

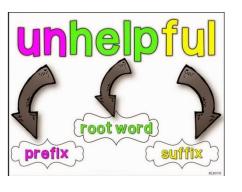
from the Latin **memoria** (memory) and **memor** (mindful)







Do you have any questions about morphology?



Home Learning - Spelling

Google Classroom



The children have 15 words to investigate over two weeks.

At home, they are expected to:

- find link words with the same sound and spelling

Home Learning - Spelling

Spellings	Link Words
b <u>oi</u> sterous	disappointed,
boun <u>c</u> e	notice,
b <u>ou</u> nd	ground,
br <u>ea</u> th	bread,
br <u>ea</u> the	stream,
busine <u>ss</u>	possible,
carouse <u>l</u>	towel,
catalo <mark>gue</mark>	analogue,
c <u>augh</u> t	daughter,

children -> cheese, chicken, beach

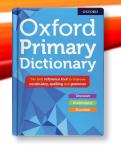
chemist -> echo, school, stomach

never → note, newspaper, night

knife → know, knight, knock

hopeless -> careless, fearless, painless

unhappy -> ungrateful, unfortunate

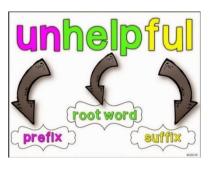


Supporting Spelling At Home

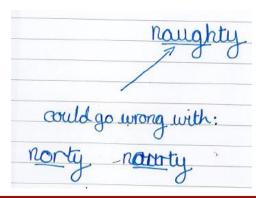
1. Break words into individual sounds.



2. Break words into chunks of meaning.



3. Focus on the tricky part of the word.



4. Try two spellings – which looks right?

caracter character



Do you have any other questions?

Thank you for coming.