

Chapter 9 + Prefixes and Suffixes Review

*At first, try doing this **without looking in your book**. When you do need to look up a word or base, be sure to mark it – this will help you when studying later to determine which components need special attention.*

You must break the underlined words below up into their components and define the meaning of each part. Then, using your breakdown of the word and the context that the sentence provides, take a guess at what you think this word actually means.

1. Example Sentence: An understanding of historiography is crucial to the study of ancient historians.

Component(s) and meaning(s): histor-, “history” and -graphy, “writing”

What you think it means as a whole: The writing of history

2. Example Sentence: The election of Barack Obama was seen by many as an historic event.

Component(s) and meaning(s): histor-, “history” and -ic, adjective-forming suffix

What you think it means as a whole: Having to do with history

3. Example Sentence: The committee made sure to stick strictly to its agenda.

Component(s) and meaning(s): agere, “to do” and -nd, gerund-forming suffix (must be)

What you think it means as a whole: Things that must be done

4. Example Sentence: After examining all the data, the researchers were able to conclude that students who have taken Classics 101 have more fun at dinner parties.

Component(s) and meaning(s): dare, “to give”

What you think it means as a whole: lit., “things given”

5. Example Sentence: Morgan Freeman is often called upon to narrate documentaries.

Component(s) and meaning(s): narrare, “to speak, tell”

What you think it means as a whole: To speak or tell

6. Example Sentence: Many celebrities are asked for their autographs.

Component(s) and meaning(s): auto-, “self” and -graph, “written”

What you think it means as a whole: Something self-written

7. Example Sentence: If cell phones and television were featured in an ancient Roman story, it would be highly anachronistic.

Component(s) and meaning(s): ana-, “back, again” and chron-, “time”

What you think it means as a whole: lit., “back in time”; not chronologically accurate

8. Example Sentence: Frogs and other amphibians are very interesting creatures because they begin their lives in the water, but live mostly on land.

Component(s) and meaning(s): amphi-, “both” and bio- “life”

What you think it means as a whole: Something that has two life forms

9. Example Sentence: Because of their extreme heat, deserts are known to cause hyperthermia.

Component(s) and meaning(s): hyper-, “over, beyond” and therm, “heat”

What you think it means as a whole: Abnormally high temperature

10. Example Sentence: In my dreams, I take an annual trip to Europe.

Component(s) and meaning(s): annus, "year"

What you think it means as a whole: yearly

11. Example Sentence: Archeology is an important source for historians, offering material culture instead of written accounts.

Component(s) and meaning(s): arche, "ancient, beginning" and -logy "study of"

What you think it means as a whole: The study of ancient artifacts

12. Example Sentence: The period of time in which the Greeks and Romans lived is sometimes referred to as "classical antiquity".

Component(s) and meaning(s): antiquus, "old, ancient"

What you think it means as a whole: The ancient past

13. Example Sentence: Many people visit the Redwoods to experience the wonder of a primeval forest.

Component(s) and meaning(s): primus, "first" and aevum, "age"

What you think it means as a whole: Ancient, very old

14. Example Sentence: Because of all the names and dates involved in history, establishing a chronology is both important and difficult.

Component(s) and meaning(s): chron-, "time" and -logy, "study of"

What you think it means as a whole: The study or understanding of time

15. Example Sentence: If someone lives with their parents, or receives financial support from them, they are supposed to file themselves as dependents on their taxes.

Component(s) and meaning(s): de-, "away from, down from" and pendere, "to hang"

What you think it means as a whole:

16. Example Sentence: When a serious crime is committed, the police usually conduct an investigation.

Component(s) and meaning(s): con-, "together" and -ducere "to lead"

What you think it means as a whole: lit., "to lead together"

17. Example Sentence: Ferdinand Magellan, Portuguese captain, was the first man to circumnavigate the earth.

Component(s) and meaning(s): circum-, "around" and navigare, "to sail"

What you think it means as a whole: To sail around

18. Example Sentence: The Roman-Persian wars, which devastated both countries' economies; it was a true catastrophe when the Arabs invaded.

Component(s) and meaning(s): cata-, "down" and strophe, "turn"

What you think it means as a whole: lit., "downturn", downfall, collapse

19. Example Sentence: Some people are worried that the epidemic in West Africa will progress into a pandemic.

Component(s) and meaning(s): epi-, "upon" and dem-, "people"

What you think it means as a whole: lit., "upon the people", focused on a specific area

