



## Understanding Prefixes and Suffixes

### Today's Standard

3.RF.3a - Identify and know the meaning of the most common prefixes and derivational suffixes.

Cues	Notes
Prefixes	Prefixes are added to the beginning of a word to change its meaning.
Suffixes	Suffixes are added to the end of a word to change its meaning.
Root Words	Root words are the main part of the word that gives the basic meaning.
Examples	Examples: 'un-' in 'unhappy', '-ful' in 'joyful'.
Why Important?	Understanding prefixes and suffixes helps in decoding unfamiliar words and expands vocabulary.

### Summary

Knowing prefixes and suffixes helps in understanding and decoding new words, which is essential for reading comprehension and vocabulary development.