



### Understanding Prefixes and New Words

#### Today's Standard

2.L.4b - Determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known prefix is added to a known word (e.g., happy/unhappy, tell/retell).

#### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Using 'un-' to change 'happy' to 'unhappy'; Using 're-' to change 'tell' to 'retell'; Using 'pre-' to change 'view' to 'preview'; Using 'dis-' to change 'like' to 'dislike'; Using 'mis-' to change 'spell' to 'misspell'

#### Today I Learned

Today we learned about prefixes. A prefix is a group of letters added to the beginning of a word to change its meaning. For example, adding 'un-' to 'happy' makes 'unhappy'.

#### Common Stumbling Blocks

Some kids think prefixes always make a word mean the opposite, but that's not true. Also, not all prefixes work with all words.

#### Quiz Me

- What is a prefix?
- Can you give an example of a word with 'un-'?
- What happens when you add 're-' to 'tell'?
- Does 'pre-' change the word to its opposite?
- Can you add any prefix to any word?

#### Help Me

Prefixes help us make new words. For example, if you are happy and then become unhappy, the prefix 'un-' changes the meaning of 'happy'.