



Understanding Prefixes and Suffixes

Today's Standard

2.RF.3d - Decode words with common prefixes and suffixes.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Reading and understanding words like 'unhappy' and 'happiness'; Decoding new vocabulary in storybooks; Identifying word parts in spelling exercises; Using prefixes and suffixes to understand word meanings in science and social studies texts; Creating new words by adding prefixes and suffixes in writing assignments

Today I Learned

Today we learned about prefixes and suffixes. These are parts added to the beginning or end of words to change their meaning. For example, 'happy' can become 'unhappy' or 'happiness'.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes kids think that adding a prefix or suffix always makes a completely new word, but it just changes the meaning a little. They might also mix up what different prefixes and suffixes mean.

Quiz Me

- What happens when you add 'un' to 'happy'?
- What is the base word of 'happiness'?
- Can you think of a word with the prefix 're'?
- What does the suffix 'less' mean?
- How does adding 'ful' change the word 'joy'?

Help Me

Prefixes and suffixes help us understand new words. For example, 'unhappy' means not happy. This helps us read better and understand more words when we see them in books or signs.