

HINTS

Reading Module

Teacher Masters

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TM#1: Demonstrate—HINTS Poster

1. **H**ighlight the prefix and/or suffix parts.
2. **I**dentify the consonant and vowel sounds in the base word.
3. **N**ame the base word.
4. **T**ie the parts together fast.
5. **S**ay the word.

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TM#2: Demonstrate and Practice—HINTS Word List

Word	Prefix (there might be more than one!)	Suffix (there might be more than one!)	Your guess at what the word means
1. incurable			
2. inexcusable			
3. unworkable			
4. prearranged			

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TM#3: Demonstrate and Practice—HINTS Word List Answer Key

Word	Prefix (there might be more than one!)	Suffix (there might be more than one!)	Your guess at what the word means
1. incurable	<i>in-</i>	<i>-able</i>	<i>not able to be cured</i>
2. inexcusable	<i>in- / ex-</i>	<i>-able</i>	<i>not able to be excused</i>
3. unworkable	<i>un-</i>	<i>-able</i>	<i>not able to work</i>
4. prearranged	<i>pre-</i>	<i>-ed</i>	<i>arranged before</i>

TM#4: Practice—Prefix List

ante-	before, front	antechamber
anti-	against	antiestablishment
co-	with, together	coworker
de-	down, remove, reduce	dethrone, devalue
	do the opposite	deactivate
dis-	opposite	distrust, distaste
en-	to cover, to cause to be	encompass, enrage
ex-	former, from	expatriate
hyper-	above, more, excessive	hyperactive, hyperventilate
hypo-	below, less	hypoactive
im-	not, in, into	impatient, implant
in-	not, in, into	incomplete, inclusion
inter-	between, together	interact
ir-	not, into	irreversible
mis-	Wrong	miscalculate
non-	Not	nonstop
out-	beyond, exceed	outlast, outside
pre-	before, in front of	preface, precaution
pro-	before, in front of,	proactive
re-	again, backward motion	rewind
semi-	Partial	semiautomatic
sub-	under, less than	subtitle
super-	above, superior	superliner
trans-	across, beyond	transcontinental
un-	Not	unlucky, unclear

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TM#5: Practice—Suffix List

-able	capable of, tendency to	dependable
-age	result of action or place	breakage
-al	pertaining to	personal
-ance	changing an action to a state	hindrance
-ation	changing an action to a state	determination
-ant	one who (occupation)	accountant
-en	noting action from an adjective	harden, loosen
-ence	changing an action to a state	dependence
-er	notes occupation	lawyer, writer
	relativity	smaller
-ful	full of	bountiful, joyful
-fy	to make	clarify
-ible	capable of, tendency to	collectible
-ish	belonging to, characteristic of	greenish
-ist	one who (occupation)	artist
-ive	changes action to characteristic or tendency	creative
-less	unable to, without	harmless, thoughtless
-ly	denotes adverbs	loudly, friendly
-ment	result of an action (noun)	entertainment, excitement
-ness	quality, state of being	happiness, deafness
-or	notes occupation of person	actor
-ous	full of, having	victorious, harmonious
-some	quality or state	bothersome
-tion	changing an action to a state	adaptation
-ward	turning to	homeward
-y	characterized by, inclined to	dirty, sleepy

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TM#6: Practice—HINTS Word List Answer Key

Word	Prefix (there might be more than one!)	Suffix (there might be more than one!)	Your guess at what the word means
1. unequally	<i>un-</i>	<i>-ly</i>	<i>in a way that is not equal</i>
2. impolitely	<i>im-</i>	<i>-ly</i>	<i>in a way that is not polite</i>
3. deconstructed	<i>de-</i>	<i>-ed</i>	<i>took apart</i>
4. indefensible	<i>in-</i>	<i>-ible</i>	<i>not able to be defended</i>
5. undesirable	<i>un-</i>	<i>-able</i>	<i>not able to be desired</i>

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TM#7: Independent Practice Answer Key

Part 1: Review the Strategy

Directions: For each letter of "HINTS," write the step of the strategy that the letter stands for.

1. H: *Highlight the prefix and/or suffix parts.*
2. I: *Identify the consonant and vowel sounds in the base word.*
3. N: *Name the base word.*
4. T: *Tie the parts together fast.*
5. S: *Say the word.*

Part 2: Apply the Strategy

Read the passage below. Underline five words that contain prefixes and/or suffixes (some words may have both a prefix and a suffix, and some may only have one or the other). Write the words in the HINTS Log that follows. Then, complete the rest of the log.

Some unintended events occurred while my brothers and I were making my mom a birthday cake. First, we went to the grocery store to get ingredients. When we got home and unpacked the grocery bags, we realized we had forgotten to buy eggs. I said we should go back, but my concerns were dismissed; we would use extra water instead. However, while mixing the batter, the bowl fell over, spilling everything onto the floor. After cleaning up, we understandably decided to go buy her a cake, instead. The events of today will remain unspeakable.

TM#7: Independent Practice Answer Key (cont.)

HINTS Log

Word	Prefix (there might be more than one!)	Suffix (there might be more than one!)	Your guess at what the word means
1. <i>unintended</i>	<i>un-</i>	<i>-ed</i>	<i>not planned</i>
2. <i>unpacked</i>	<i>un-</i>	<i>-ed</i>	<i>took everything out</i>
3. <i>dismissed</i>	<i>dis-</i>	<i>-ed</i>	<i>stopped thinking about</i>
4. <i>understandably</i>	<i>under-</i>	<i>-able, -ly</i>	<i>clear and easy to understand</i>
5. <i>unspeakable</i>	<i>un-</i>	<i>-able</i>	<i>cannot be spoken</i>