

# OGUN DIGICLASS

**CLASS: PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**SUBJECT: ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

**TOPIC: PREFIXES**



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# Prefixes

# Learning Objectives:

- To understand what is a prefix.
- To recognize some prefix, spell and use them correctly.

# What Are Prefixes?

PREFIX = [ATTACHMENT] + [WORD]

| PRE | FIX

- A prefix is a letter or a group of letters we add to the front of a word. Prefixes change the meaning or purpose of the word, e.g.

un + kind = unkind

The word has become its opposite meaning (antonym)

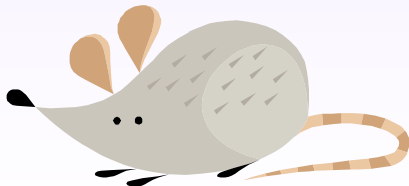
# The prefix 'un'

- My mum was unwell at the weekend with a bad cold.



# The prefix 'un'

- Jumoke seemed unhappy that the cat was by his hole.



# ACTIVITIES

A.

The prefix 'un' which means not or opposite

E.g. unhappy

Untie

Unlucky

Unwell

a. James seemed unhappy.

b. My mum was unwell during the weekend.

# The prefix 'dis'

- Sakirat disagreed with Tinuke over who threw the ball.

How has the word meaning been altered with this prefix?

agree-----disagree



Again the word has become an antonym (opposite) of the root word.



B.

The prefix 'dis' meaning not or opposite

E.g. Dislike

Disappear

Disagree

a. Sule disagreed with tom.

b. Can you disable the alarm from working.

# The prefix 're'

- Damola had to refill the bucket.



# The prefix 're'

- The T.V. showed an action replay.



C.

Prefix 're' meaning redo or again.

E.g. Reread

Rewrite

Review

a. She may rewrite the book.

b. We are told to review the work.

# The prefix 'de'

- Dad had to defrost the chicken before he put it in the oven.



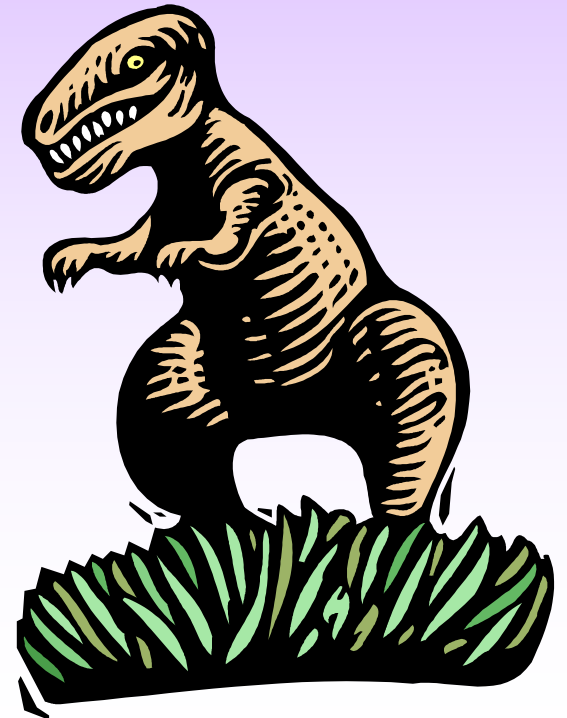
# The prefix 'de'

- The time to depart from the station is 2.00pm.



# The prefix 'pre'

- Bolanle liked prehistoric animals.



# The prefix 'pre'

- A prefix is fixed to the front of a word.



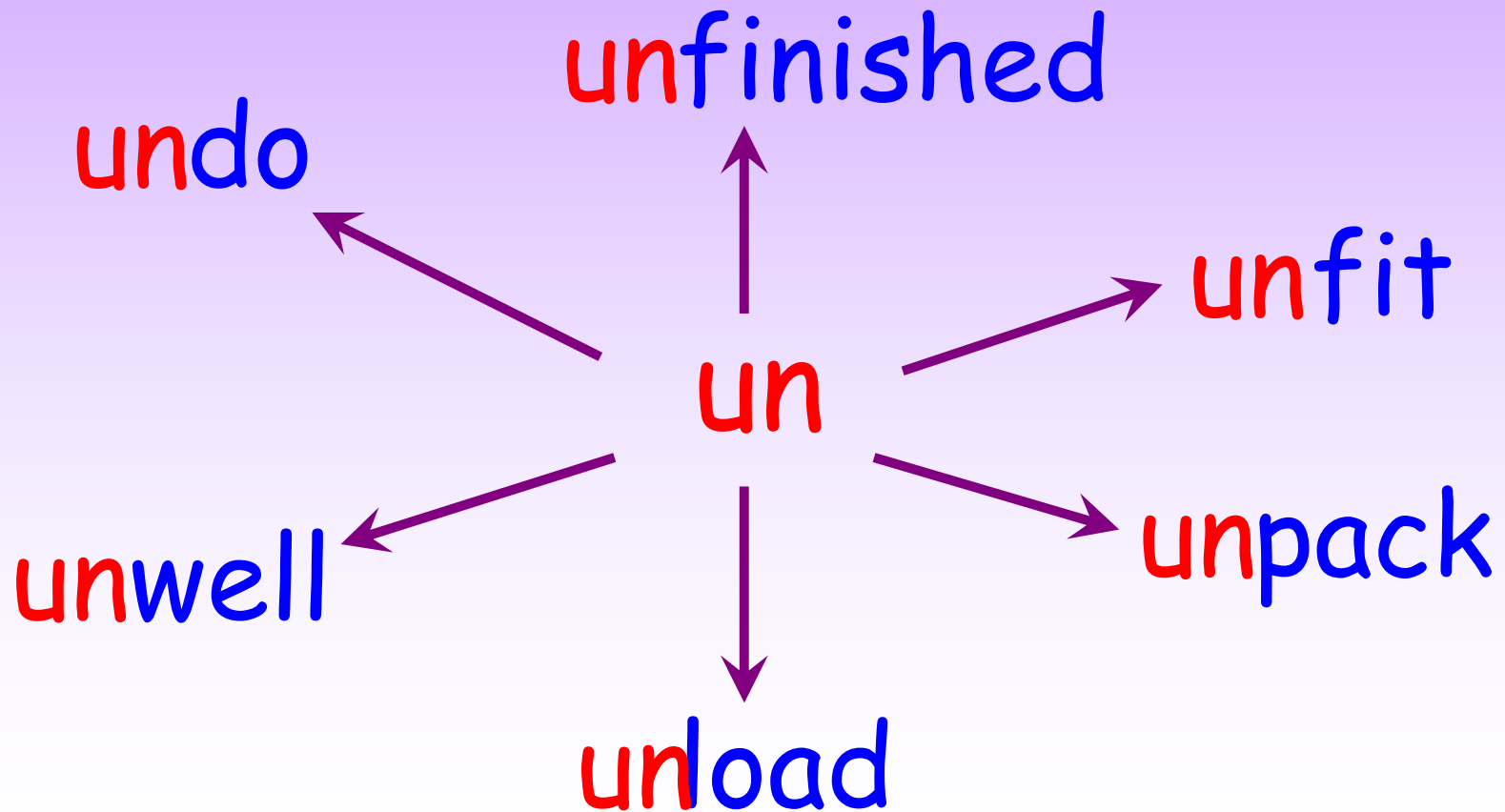


# The prefix 'dis'

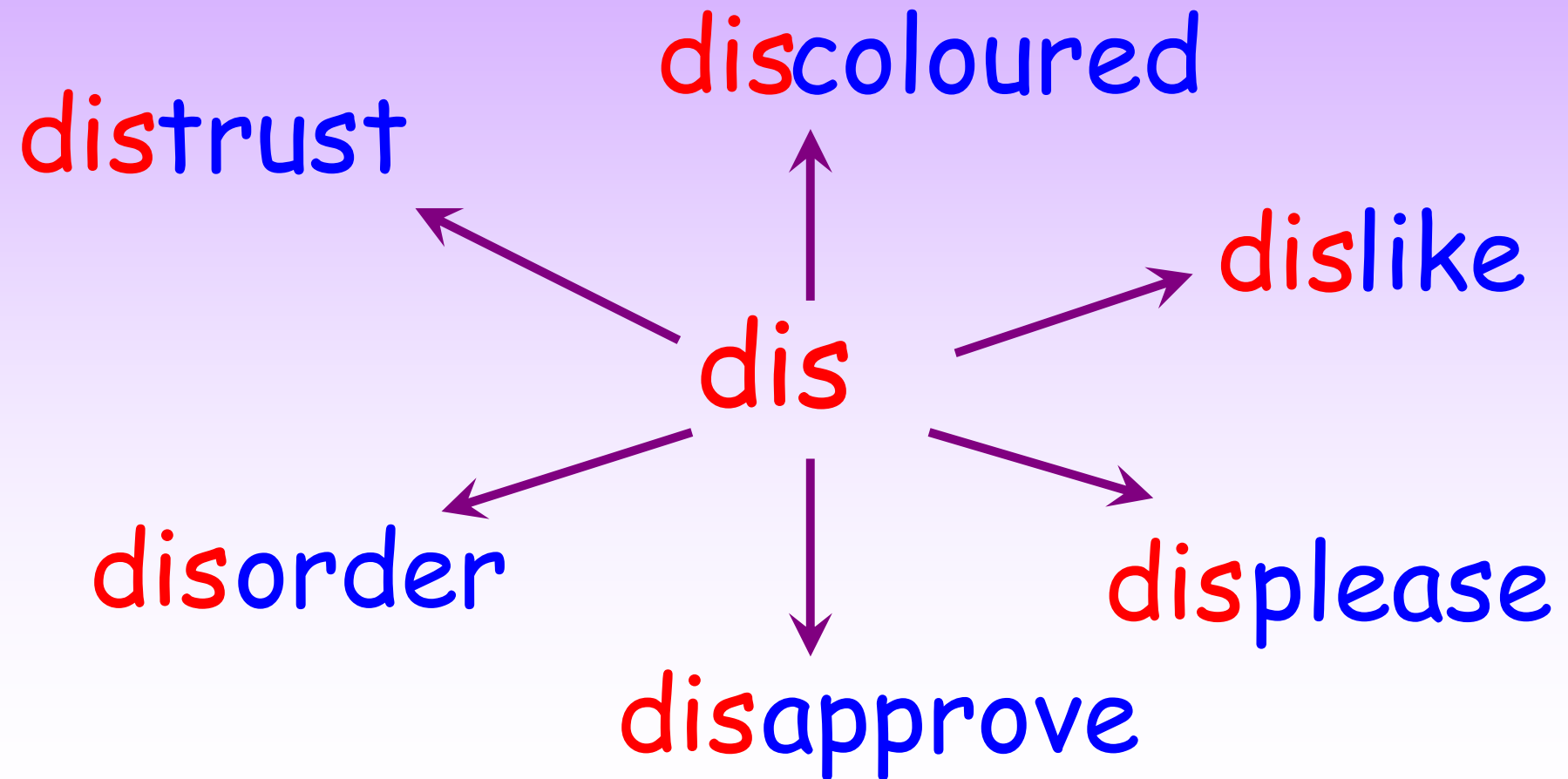
- Can you disable the alarm?



Add the prefix 'un' to  
these root words!



Add the prefix 'dis' to  
these root words!



# Is it 'un' or 'dis'?

unwell

discharge

unfit

uncover

disagree

disobey

disappear

disapprove

disbelief

Is it 're' or 'de' or 'pre'?

precaution

prefix

deface

premature

reheat

deposit

report

rearrange

deface

# NOTE

In prefix, the root word is the main word.

You can search for the meaning either in a dictionary or on the internet.

# ASSIGNMENT

Identify prefixes in these words.

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|-------------|-------------|
| • Disappear | discoloured |
| • Uncover   | unfinished  |
| • Discharge | undo        |