

Dictation Passage

A famous horse named Hans captured world attention for his excellent ability to perform correct addition in arithmetic. People wrote a problem on a blackboard. Then Hans pawed numbers one through nine right-footed. He would multiply tens left-footed. How he did it remained a secret until a doctor watched Hans many times. He discovered that Hans received valuable help from audiences. When they leaned forward, he started. When they relaxed, it caused him to stop. Hans noticed and followed their simple body language.



Name _____

Spelling Skill: Root Words and Prefixes

Definition: Prefixes are one to four letter units added to the front of a root word. Prefixes change or add to the meaning of the root word. The four most common prefixes are: **un**, **dis**, **re**, and **mis**.

Directions: Below are the meanings for the common prefixes with an example for each. Write two more words for each prefix and give its meaning.

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2. **dis** means **not** or **opposite** (dislike = not like)

3. **re** means **again** (remake = to make again)

4. **mis** means **wrong** (misspell = to spell wrong)

5. What does the focus word **discover** mean?

Writing Skill: Vocabulary Development

Directions: Write two sentences using any of the prefix words that you wrote above.

1. _____

2. _____



Trial Test

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Writing: Sentences (9) _____ Capitalization (13) _____ Punctuation (13) _____

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Spelling Skill: Root Words and Suffixes

Definition: Suffixes are endings added to words that change the part of speech for the root word.

Rule: The suffixes **er**, **ly**, **ion**, **tion**, **ition**, and **able** or **ible** change the part of speech and add to the meaning of the root words.

Directions: Below are the meanings for the suffixes above. Following each meaning is a word. Write what the word means and use it in a sentence.

1. **er** means **one who** (worker means one who works)

explorer _____

2. **ly** means **the way something is done** (quickly means to do something fast)

completely _____

3. **ion**, **tion**, **ition** means **act or process of doing** (celebration means to celebrate)

addition _____

4. **able** or **ible** means **is or can be done** (likeable means can be liked)

valuable _____



Writing Skill: Vocabulary Development

Directions: In teams of two use the following root words and any prefixes or suffixes to write as many new words as you can.

run

form

take

kind

happy

Name_____

Final Test

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Spelling: Focused (22) _____ Functional (51) _____ Enrichment (10) _____

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