



Meaningful Affixes

Objective

The student will identify the meaning of words with affixes.

Materials

- ▶ Work boards (Activity Master V.010.AM1)
- ▶ Affix cards (Activity Master V.010.AM2)
- ▶ Base word cards (Activity Master V.010.AM3)
There are ten base words. Six will be used twice: clear, faith, kind, inform, comfort, assemble. Four will be used once: avoid, fiction, heat, direct.
- ▶ Meaning cards (Activity Master V.010.AM4a - V.010.AM4c)

Activity

Students make words to match meanings by combining affixes and base words.

1. Place affix and base word cards face up in separate rows. Place the meaning cards face down in a stack. Provide each student with a work board.
2. Taking turns, students select a card from the meaning stack, read it, and place it on the work board (e.g., put together again).
3. Find the base word (i.e., assemble) and affix (i.e., re) to make the word that matches the meaning.
4. Place the affix and base word above the meaning on the work board and read it (i.e., reassemble). Return base word and affix cards back to their original positions.
5. Continue until all meaning cards are used.
6. Peer evaluation

ly re dis ful un

assemble

Affix base word Affix

put together again

Meaning

avoid clear faith

Extensions and Adaptations

- ▶ Record words on paper. Write sentences using the words to demonstrate meaning.
- ▶ Use same base words and affixes with easier meaning cards (Activity Master V.010.AM5a - V.010.AM5c).
- ▶ Make other affix, base word, and meaning cards (Activity Master V.010.AM6).

Vocabulary

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Affix	Base Word	Affix
Meaning		



Affix	Base Word	Affix
Meaning		



work boards

Vocabulary

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V.010.AM2

pre	un	re	mis
non	in	dis	
ly	able	est	er
ful	ness	less	



affix cards

avoid

fiction

heat

direct

clear

faith

kind

inform

comfort

assemble



Vocabulary

Meaningful Affixes

V.010.AM4a

can stay away from

not make believe

warm before

not straight

not see through

resembling see through

meaning cards — answers: avoidable, nonfiction, preheat, indirect, unclear, clearly



full of belief

without belief

state of being nice, helpful

nicest, most helpful

wrongly tell

one who tells

meaning cards — answers: faithful, faithless, kindness, kindest, misinform, informer



Vocabulary

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V.010.AM4c

not satisfied, not at ease

state of being satisfied, at ease

opposite of put together

put together again

meaning cards — answers: discomfort, comfortable, disassemble, reassemble



can avoid

not fiction

heat before

not direct

not clear

resembling clear

meaning cards — answers: avoidable, nonfiction, preheat, indirect, unclear, clearly



Vocabulary

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V.010.AM5b

full of faith

without faith

state of being kind

most kind

not inform

one who informs

meaning cards — answers: faithful, faithless, kindness, kindest, misinform, informer



no comfort

state of (feeling) comfort

opposite of assemble

assemble again

meaning cards — answers: discomfort, comfortable, disassemble, reassemble



Vocabulary

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V.010.AM6

affix	affix	affix	affix
base words		base words	
base words		base words	
meaning			
meaning			

affix cards, base word cards, and meaning cards

