

# 15 Prefixes: pre-, re-, post-, co-

## Connections to THINKING

**Read** the spelling words and sentences.

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| 1. prerecorded | <i>prerecorded</i> | The radio show was <b>prerecorded</b> .      |
| 2. reappear    | <i>reappear</i>    | Butterflies <b>reappear</b> in the spring.   |
| 3. postscript  | <i>postscript</i>  | Her note has a <b>postscript</b> for you.    |
| 4. cooperate   | <i>cooperate</i>   | Players <b>cooperate</b> on the field.       |
| 5. prehistoric | <i>prehistoric</i> | The <b>prehistoric</b> egg was huge.         |
| 6. posttest    | <i>posttest</i>    | The <b>posttest</b> has an essay question.   |
| 7. coauthors   | <i>coauthors</i>   | We are <b>coauthors</b> of the article.      |
| 8. recharge    | <i>recharge</i>    | Buy batteries that we can <b>recharge</b> .  |
| 9. precaution  | <i>precaution</i>  | I took an umbrella as a <b>precaution</b> .  |
| 10. postwar    | <i>postwar</i>     | Films showed a <b>postwar</b> rejoicing.     |
| 11. rejoin     | <i>rejoin</i>      | Eartha can <b>rejoin</b> you after school.   |
| 12. coexist    | <i>coexist</i>     | My fish cannot <b>coexist</b> with yours.    |
| 13. prefix     | <i>prefix</i>      | A <b>prefix</b> is connected to a base word. |
| 14. coworker   | <i>coworker</i>    | His <b>coworker</b> came to Dad's party.     |
| 15. reform     | <i>reform</i>      | We can <b>reform</b> the first plan.         |
| 16. prepaid    | <i>prepaid</i>     | These <b>prepaid</b> tickets must be used.   |
| 17. refresh    | <i>refresh</i>     | Let's <b>refresh</b> ourselves at the lake.  |
| 18. postdate   | <i>postdate</i>    | You may <b>postdate</b> your letter.         |
| 19. reenter    | <i>reenter</i>     | After a rest, <b>reenter</b> the pool.       |
| 20. reclaim    | <i>reclaim</i>     | We must try to <b>reclaim</b> this forest.   |

**Think & Sort** the spelling words.

1-5. Write the words that begin with the prefix **pre-**.

6-12. Write the words that begin with the prefix **re-**.

13-16. Write the words that begin with the prefix **post-**.

17-20. Write the words that begin with the prefix **co-**.

**Remember**

Prefixes, such as **pre-** (meaning "before"), **re-** (meaning "again"), **post-** (meaning "after"), and **co-** (meaning "together" or "with"), can be added to base words to form new words.

# Connections to VOCABULARY

## Prefixes and Meanings

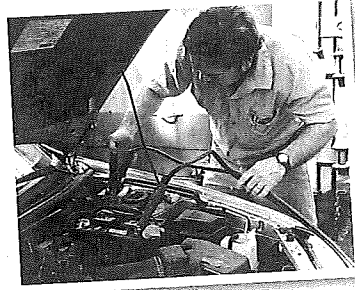
Write the spelling word for each meaning. Circle the prefix and check a print or online dictionary to find its meaning.

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|---------------------------|--|
| 1. before written history | 6. paid in advance                                     |
| 2. after a war            | 7. recorded in advance                                 |
| 3. to use a later date    | 8. a test given after instruction                      |
| 4. a note added later     | 9. a group of letters added to the beginning of a word |
| 5. to exist together      |  |

## Word Study: Latin Roots

The prefix **re-** comes from a Latin word meaning "again." Write a spelling word with this prefix to complete each sentence.

10. We can \_\_\_\_\_ this land by draining it.
11. The same spelling words \_\_\_\_\_ on the posttest.
12. The mechanic can \_\_\_\_\_ the car's battery.
13. The criminal promised to \_\_\_\_\_.
14. After the fire drill, \_\_\_\_\_ the school.
15. Please \_\_\_\_\_ the choir after your solo.
16. He will wash his face to \_\_\_\_\_ himself.



Use the  
Dictionary

**Guide words** appear at the top of a dictionary page. They are the first entry word and the last entry word on the page. Write the spelling word that you would find between these pairs of guide words.

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| 17. continue • county | 19. preamble • promise |
| 18. couch • criticize | 20. classify • common  |

**Dictionary Check** Be sure to check the spelling of your answers in your **Spelling Dictionary**.

## Prefixes and Meanings

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## Word Study: Latin Roots

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## Use the Dictionary

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# Connections to READING

prerecorded	reappear	postscript	cooperate	prehistoric
posttest	coauthors	recharge	precaution	postwar
rejoin	coexist	prefix	coworker	reform
prepaid	refresh	postdate	reenter	reclaim

## Complete the Analogies

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## Word Categorization

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## Use Context Clues

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## Complete the Analogies

Write the spelling words that complete the analogies.

1. **Start** is to **restart** as **appear** is to \_\_\_\_\_.
2. **Risk** is to **chance** as **forethought** is to \_\_\_\_\_.
3. **Introduction** is to **conclusion** as **greeting** is to \_\_\_\_\_.
4. **Preserve** is to **maintain** as **improve** is to \_\_\_\_\_.
5. **Lose** is to **win** as **waste** is to \_\_\_\_\_.
6. **Opposition** is to **oppose** as **cooperation** is to \_\_\_\_\_.



## Word Categorization

Write the spelling word that belongs in each group.

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| 7. pretest, test, _____     | 10. predate, date, _____  |
| 8. _____, base word, suffix | 11. _____, paid, postpaid |
| 9. prewar, war, _____       | 12. join, separate, _____ |

## Use Context Clues

Write spelling words from the box to complete the paragraph.

Two scientists were 13. on a book about 14. creatures. Before the project, each 15. 16. her ideas on tape. The main idea was that some dinosaurs could 17. peacefully. For example, plant eaters would 18. themselves side by side at lakes and rivers. If they were attacked by predators, they could 19. the water. In this way, they could rest and 20. themselves to have energy for the next attack.

recharge  
prehistoric  
coexist  
coauthors  
reenter  
coworker  
refresh  
prerecorded

# Connections to WRITING

## Proofread a Paragraph

Proofread the paragraph below for ten misspelled words. Then rewrite the paragraph. Write the spelling words correctly and make the corrections indicated by the proofreading marks.

¶ Before a long car trip, you may want to recharge <sup>your</sup> car's ~~B~~attery.

After taking this percaution, reclame your car and rifresh it with a good cleaning. Some travelers like to take along music that they have perrecorded. as a result, they feel at home until they can rejoin their community and reinter the range of familiar radio stations. If <sup>you</sup> are traveling with a co worker, be sure to coperate on selecting music. ¶ Then ~~You~~ can coexist peacefully during your car trip!

### Proofreading Marks

≡	Capital Letter
/	Small Letter
^	Add
e	Delete
⊙	Add a Period
¶	Indent

## INFORMATIVE/EXPLANATORY Writing Prompt

### Write a Paragraph

Write or type a paragraph giving advice about something you have experienced. Use words such as **first** and **next** to make your suggestions clear. Give examples when appropriate. Use active verbs and as many spelling words as you can.

- Use the writing process: prewrite, draft, revise, edit, and publish.
- Include an effective introduction and conclusion.
- Use complete sentences with correct capitalization, punctuation, grammar, and spelling.
- Use the spell-check function in word processing or a print or online dictionary to check spelling.

### Transfer

Think of five words that are spelled with **pre-**, meaning "before or earlier." Write the words in your Spelling Journal.

# Extend & Transfer

## Word Study



### Pattern Power

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| pretest    | prehistoric | coauthors | reclaim       | co-anchor  |
| preview    | posttest    | recharge  | present       | preamble   |
| recover    | precaution  | postwar   | receive       | recuperate |
| reheat     | prefix      | rejoin    | reflect       | redirect   |
| rewrite    | coworker    | coexist   | refract       |            |
| reappear   | refresh     | reform    | reverberate   |            |
| postscript | postdate    | prepaid   | preface       |            |
| cooperate  | prerecorded | reenter   | post meridiem |            |

### Pattern Power

Use the words from the spelling list above to complete these exercises. Use your **Spelling Dictionary** to check the meaning of each word.

- 1-5. Write the words that have the Latin prefix **post-**.  
6-15. Write the words that have the Latin prefix **pre-**.

### Word Clues

Write the spelling word that fits each clue.

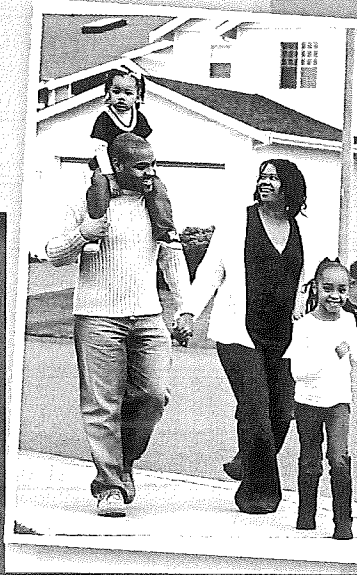
16. from the Latin word **pārēre**, meaning "to show"  
17. two or more people who write together  
18. from the Latin **scrībēre**, meaning "to write"  
19. the only open compound word on the list  
20. from the Latin word **fōrma**, meaning "form or shape"

# Social Studies



# Word Hunt

Read the article below. Look for words with the prefixes **pre-**, **re-**, **post-**, and **co-**.



We live in a world of **pre-** and **re-** and sometimes **post-** and often **co-**. In the morning, we eat breakfast that is precooked, so all we have to do is reheat it. We slip on prewashed T-shirts and preshrunk jeans that have been preapproved by siblings so we won't embarrass them. Before we even get out the door, the day is rearranged. Someone just recalled that she has to return a book to the library on the way to school. Dad remembers that he will have to pick up my little sister at preschool because Mom has a postseason coaches meeting.

The middle of the day isn't any different. We try to react politely when the class we pre-enrolled in is full. We are reassured that we will get the class in the fall. We recover from our disappointment. We are named co-captains of the soccer team. At about 3:30, we retrace our steps and rejoin the world.

After a quick snack, we set the table and precut vegetables for dinner. We preheat the oven and let the frozen meatloaf cook while we study. Cooperation is the key to getting things done right.

At our house, one of our favorite "posts" is the postprandial walk. *Postprandial* is a fancy way to say "after dinner." When we've finished, we're refreshed and recharged.

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## WORD SORT

1-8. Write the words with the prefix **pre-**. Circle the words with more than two syllables.

9-10. Write the words with the prefix **co-**. Circle the words with more than two syllables.