

Derivational Constancy Stage

Feature T

Assimilated Prefixes

Assimilation with base words				
Sort # 1	<i>in</i> + base	<i>il</i> + <i>l</i> -base		
	in + correct = incorrect	in + legal = illegal		
	in + numerable = innumerable			
	<i>im</i> + <i>m</i> -base	<i>ir</i> + <i>r</i> -base		
	in + mortal = immortal	in + relevant = irrelevant		
Assimilation with base words				
Sort # 2	<i>ad</i> "to, toward"	<i>com</i> "with, together"	<i>sub</i> "under, lower"	
	<i>ad</i>	<i>com</i>	<i>sub</i>	
	<i>ad</i> join	<i>com</i> passion	<i>sub</i> conscious	
	<i>account</i>	<i>col</i> league	<i>suffix</i>	
	<i>aff</i> ix	<i>com</i> note	<i>sup</i> press	
	<i>appro</i> ve	<i>cor</i> respond	<i>sur</i> round	
Assimilation with base words				
Sort # 3	<i>dis</i> "opposite of, apart"	<i>ex</i> "out, from"	<i>ob</i> "to, toward, against"	
	<i>dis</i>	<i>ex</i>	<i>ob</i>	
	<i>dis</i> advantage	<i>exter</i> minate	<i>ob</i> noxious	
	<i>diss</i> atisfy	<i>eff</i> use	<i>off</i> end	
	<i>diff</i> use		<i>opp</i> osition	
Assimilation with roots : <i>ad</i> , <i>com</i> , <i>in</i>				
Sort # 4	<i>ad</i>	<i>com</i>	<i>in</i>	
	<i>ad</i> hesive	<i>com</i> panion	<i>inc</i> ubate	
	<i>add</i> ict	<i>comm</i> emorate	<i>imate</i>	
	<i>accept</i>	<i>col</i> lision	<i>il</i> luminate	
	<i>aff</i> able	<i>cor</i> ruption	<i>immer</i> se	
	<i>app</i> rehend	<i>cor</i> nection	<i>irrig</i> ation	
Assimilation with roots: <i>dis</i> , <i>ex</i> , <i>sub</i> , <i>ob</i>				
Sort # 5	<i>dis</i>	<i>ex</i>	<i>sub</i>	<i>ob</i>
	disdain	excavate	subjugate	obstruct
	disseminate	efficient	succinct	occasion
	difference	eccentric	suffocate	offensive
			suggestion	opportunity

* A study of Greek/Latin roots will begin at the middle level.

If needed, refer to *Word Journeys*, pp. 181-184 for additional support.

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Word Study Sort # 2

(2.1 – 2.3)

Suggested Demonstration:

ASSIMILATED (ABSORBED) PREFIXES

Assimilation with Base Words

ad "to, toward"

ad

*ad*join

*ac*count

*af*fix

*ap*prove

com "with, together"

com

*com*passion

*col*league

*con*note

*cor*respond

sub "under, lower"

sub

*sub*conscious

*suf*fix

*sup*press

*sur*round

This sort contains words with assimilated prefixes. The prefix *ad*- can be assimilated to form *ac*-, *af*-, and *ap*-. All of these prefixes mean "to, toward." Ask students to identify the meanings of words located in each sort.

Students should conclude that the prefix *ad*- means "to, toward" and that this prefix can come in other forms such as *ad*-, *ac*-, *af*-, and *ap*-. Teach students that the final letter of the prefix *ad*- is assimilated, or absorbed, into the base or root that follows it, resulting in a double consonant (*ad* + *count* = *account*). This is true when the base word begins with the consonant letters *c*, *f*, and *p*. The final letter of the prefix *com*- can be assimilated to form *col*-, *con*- and *cor*-. These prefixes all mean "with, together." The final letter of the prefix *sub*- can be assimilated to form *suf*-, *sup*-, and *sur*-. These prefixes mean "under, lower."

2.1 – Easiest list (Recommended for intermediate)

2.2-- Average list (Recommended for late intermediate)

2.3-- Challenge list (Recommended for advanced intermediate or middle)

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(2.1 – 2.3)

Key Points:

- The prefixes *ad-*, *ac-*, *af-*, *as-*, *ag-*, *al-*, *ar-*, *an-*, *at-*, and *ap-* all mean "to, toward."
- The final letter of the prefix *ad-* is assimilated, or absorbed, into the base or root that follows it, resulting in a double consonant (ad + count = account). This is true when the base word begins with the consonant letters *c*, *f*, *g*, *l*, *n*, *p*, *r*, *s*, and *t*.
- The prefixes *com-*, *cor-*, *con-*, and *col-* all mean "with, together."
- The final letter of the prefix *com-* is assimilated, or absorbed, into the base or root that follows it, resulting in a double consonant (com + relate = correlate). This is true when the base word begins with the consonant letters *l*, *n*, and *r*.
- The prefixes *sub-*, *suf-*, *sup-*, and *sur-* all mean "under, lower."
- The final letter of the prefix *sub-* is assimilated, or absorbed, into the base or root that follows it, resulting in a double consonant (sub + fix = suffix). This is true when the base word begins with the consonant letters *f*, *p*, and *r*.

Link to Assessment:

- Take Home Word List
- Word Study Games and Activities

(Feature T) Sort # 2.1

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adjoin	compose	subsurface
account	subzero	affix
collapse	approve	commission
compassion	colleague	compatriot
colleague	correspond	
connote		submerge
suffix	compress	suppress
surround		support

Dear Family,

Your child is studying the following words as part of a word study program. Please help your child practice the words listed below.

Assimilation with Base Words

ad "to, toward"
ad-, *ac-*, *af-*, *ag-*
ap-, *al-*, *as-*, *at-*

com "with, together"
com-, *con-*, *col-*, *cor-*

sub "under, lower"
sub-, *suf-* *sup-*, *sur-*

account
adjoin
affix
approve
collapse
colleague
colleague
commission
compassion
compatriot
compose
compress
connote
correspond
submerge
subsurface
subzero
suffix
support
suppress
surround

(Feature T) Sort # 2.2

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conform	compound	subcommittee
adjoin	subdivision	attempt
assign	allure	commingle
colleague	correspond	
suffer	support	acclaim
affirm	submarine	suffix
compose	collapse	
		assure

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sub-, *suf-* *sup-*, *sur-*

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commingle

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compound

conform

correspond

subcommittee

subdivision

submarine

suffer

suffix

support

colleague	acclaim	compassion
subcommittee	surrender	commission
commingle	supposition	suffuse
suppose	adjoin	affirm
	assorted	annotation
correlation	connotation	
subdivision	attempt	correspond
assure		

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sub-, *suf-* *sup-*, *sur-*

acclaim

adjoin

affirm

annotation

assorted

assure

attempt

colleague

commingle

commission

compassion

connotation

correlation

correspond

subcommittee

subdivision

suffuse

suppose

supposition

surrender