



Top 50 Most Common Prefixes and Root Words

	Prefix/Root Word	Definition	Example
1.	a/an	not	amoral
2.	ab	away from	absent
3.	ad	towards	addition
4.	ambi/amphi	both	ambidextrous
5.	anim	life	animated
6.	anti	against	antibiotic
7.	aud	hear	audible
8.	auto	self	automatic
9.	belli	fight	belligerent
10.	bene	good	benevolent
11.	bi	two	bicycle
12.	bio	life	biology
13.	chron	time	chronic
14.	circum	around	circumference
15.	co/com/con	with	communicate
16.	contra	against	contrast
17.	cred	believe	credible
18.	de	down	descend
19.	dec	ten	decade
20.	dis/dif/di	not	dislike
21.	duc/duct	lead	conduct
22.	ex	out	exile
23.	fid	faith	fidelity
24.	gen	birth	genetic

25.	grad/gress	step	progress
26.	grat	pleasing	gratitude
27.	grav/griev	heavy	gravity
28.	hydr	water	hydrate
29.	hyper	Too much	hyperbole
30.	hypo	Too little	hypothermia
31.	in/il/ir/im	not	irresponsible
32.	inter	between	intercept
33.	liber	free	liberate
34.	mag/maj/mas/max	great	majestic
35.	mal	bad	malicious
36.	mar	sea	marine
37.	micro	small	microscope
38..	mono	one	monotone
39.	morph	change	metamorphosis
40.	ob	against	obstruct
41.	omni	all	omniscient
42.	pac	peace	pacify
43.	phon	sound	phonics
44.	port	carry	transport
45.	pre	before	preview
46.	sol	sun	solstice
47.	sub	under	submarine
48.	scrib/script	write	scribe
49.	trans	across	transport
50.	ver	truth	verity