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**PREFIXES**

Prefixes are letters added to the beginning of a base word or root word. They change the meaning of the word to which they are added. In addition to the 20 most common prefixes, we will use the chart below to keep track of other popular ones that we use in class.

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| **PREFIX** | **DEFINITION** | **EXAMPLES** |
| ex- | out | exit, exhale, excerpt |
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**SUFFIXES**

Suffixes are letters added to the end of base words or root words. Suffixes change the form of the word (singular to plural) or the part of speech (noun, pronoun, verb, adjective, adverb, etc.) while maintaining the heart of the meaning. Below are some examples.

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| **SUFFIX** | **DEFINITION** | **Part of Speech** | **Example** |
| -ist | a person who | noun | artist, scientist, specialist |
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**Greek & Latin Roots**

Root words are word parts that cannot stand alone, yet they have meaning. Identifying the root in a larger word provides a clue to the meaning of the word.

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| **Greek & Latin Roots** | **Definition** | **Examples** |
| bio | life | biography, biographical, autobiography, biologist, microbiologist, biohazard, biosphere |
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