



# Root Words

A root word is a word that works as a base for making new words. Letters added to the front of a root word are called a prefix. Letters added to the back of a root word are called a suffix.

**DIRECTIONS:** Circle the part of each word that is the root word.

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| 1. unhappy    | un    | happy  |
| 2. recreate   | re    | create |
| 3. loudest    | loud  | est    |
| 4. disembark  | dis   | embark |
| 5. helping    | help  | ing    |
| 6. shouted    | shout | ed     |
| 7. cleaning   | clean | ing    |
| 8. unwind     | un    | wind   |
| 9. impose     | im    | pose   |
| 10. preschool | pre   | school |

