

COMMON AFFIXES IN ENGLISH

Base word または Root にくつつく、頻出度の高い Affixes をご紹介します。

Prefix	Meaning	Example
Ab-	away from	absent, abnormal
Ad-	to, toward	advance, addition
After-	Later, behind	aftermath, afterward
Anti-	against, opposed	antibiotic, antigravity
Auto-	self	automobile, autobiography
Be-	make	believe, belittle, befriend
Bi-	two	bicycle, biceps
Com, con, co-	with, together	commune, concrete
Contra-	against	contradict, contrary
De-	downward, undo, opposite	deflate, defect
Deci-	ten	decibels, decimal
Dis-	not, opposite of	dislike, distrust
E, ex-	out of, prior to	explain, expense
En, em-	in, into, cover	engage, employ
Extra-	outside	extravagant, extraterrestrial
Fore-	earlier, before	foreclose, foresee
Im-	not	impose, imply
In-	into, not	include, incurable
Inter-	between, among	interact, internal
Macro-	large	macroeconomics, macrotiotic
Magni-	great	magnify, magnificent
Mega-	huge	megaphone, megabucks
Mid-	middle	midway
Micro-	small	microscope, microbe
Mis-	wrongly	mistake, mislead, misfire
Non-	not	nonsense, nonviolent
Out-	more or better than others	outperform, outbid
Over-	above, beyond, over	overflow, overdue, overlook
Post-	after	postdate, postmark
Pre-	before, prior to	preheat, prehistoric, prefix
Pro-	in favor of	protest, protect
Re-	again	repeat, revise, return
Prefix	Meaning	Example

Sub-	under, beneath	submarine, subject
Super-	above, beyond	superior, supernatural
Tele-	for	telescope, telephone
Trans-	across	transfer, transit, transport
Tri-	three	tricycle, triangle
Un-	not	unknown, unjust, unkind
Ultra-	beyond	ultraviolet, ultrasuede
Under-	beneath, below	underneath, underline
Uni-	one, single	unicorn, uniform

Suffix	Meaning	Example
-able, -ible	can be done	comfortable, edible
-al, -ial	having characteristics of	personal
-ant	one who	assistant
-ar, -er, -or	one who	liar, teacher, doctor
-arium	place for	aquarium
-ed	(past tense)	jumped, smiled
-en	made of	wooden
-ent	one who	resident
-er	more	brighter, higher
-ery, ry	products	pottery
-est	most	brightest, highest
-ful	full of	mouthful, careful
-ic	having characteristics of	linguistic, economic
-ing	material	roofing
-ing	(present participle)	jumping, smiling
-less	without	fearless, speechless
-ly	every	weekly
-ly	characteristic of	happily, quickly
-ment	action or process	enjoyment, excitement
-ness	state of, condition of	happiness, kindness
-ology	study of	biology
-ous, -eous, -ious	full of	joyous, wondrous
-s, es	more than one	books, boxes
-y	characterized by	sunny, happy