

NEGATIVE PREFIXES

1.1 Add negative prefixes to the adjectives below. Choose among *un-*, *ir-*, *dis-*, *im-*, *in-* and *il-*.

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| a) an ___ comfortable chair | k) ___ responsible staff |
| b) an ___ relevant question | l) an ___ resistible temptation |
| c) an ___ polite letter | m) ___ satisfied customers |
| d) an ___ expensive product | n) an ___ known town |
| e) ___ patient students | o) an ___ punctual train |
| f) an ___ possible plan | p) an ___ dependent country |
| g) an ___ logical answer | q) an ___ replaceable work of art |
| h) an ___ convenient time | r) an ___ secure feeling |
| i) an ___ locked door | s) an ___ patient audience |
| j) a ___ honest customer | t) an ___ grateful child |

1.2 Add negative prefixes to the words below. Choose among *un-*, *ir-*, *dis-*, *mis-*, *im-*, *in-* and *il-*.

- I ___ agree with him.
- Sam ___ calculated the sum.
- The headmaster ___ trusts him.
- Jane ___ spelled the name.
- The files have ___ appeared.
- The new members ___ believe him.
- Tom told us a(n) ___ believable story.
- They made a(n) ___ legal business deal.
- The arrangement they made is quite ___ convenient.
- My old mother is suffering from a(n) ___ curable illness.
- Fran's ex-husband wrote a(n) ___ polite letter to her.
- That really was a(n) ___ lucky accident.
- Your question is ___ relevant to the discussion.
- In our shop we don't want to have any ___ satisfied customers.
- Katherine gave a(n) ___ logical answer.

2 Write negative prefixes in the blank spaces. Choose among *un-*, *ir-*, *dis-*, *im-*, *in-*, *non-* and *il-*.

- Often a(n) ___ known writer writes a in-fiction book which becomes a bestseller.
- For many years, ___ literate people in the US were not allowed to vote because of their ___ ability to sign their name.
- There is a difference between ___ regulars and 'seconds', two types of sale items often seen in stores.
- I find it ___ conceivable that he is ___ capable of meeting the deadline.

- e) ____smokers are often ____comfortable when heavy smokers are smoking nearby.
- f) The ____accurate statistics, ____appropriate language, and the ____legible handwriting in this paper are ____excusable. The paper must be rewritten.

3 Write negative prefixes.

- a) It was a(n) ____profitable business.
- b) This system has many ____advantages.
- c) The date of the meeting is ____definite.
- d) The reasoning was extremely ____logical.
- e) Be careful not to ____interpret the question.
- f) That quantity is ____sufficient.
- g) The weather here is ____predictable.
- h) He ____calculated the sum and had to do it again.
- i) You cannot walk outside at night because the streets are ____safe.
- j) If a type of paint is not toxic, it is labelled ____toxic.
- k) He's a(n) ____patient man.
- l) They strongly ____approve of her being late.
- m) It's very ____typical of him to be late.
- n) You shouldn't ____obey their wishes.

4 Translate.

- a) Kako neudoben stol. _____
- b) Ne strinjam se z njim. _____
- c) Napak smo izračunali vsoto. _____
- d) Ne zaupam mu. _____
- e) Narobe si črkoval moje ime. _____
- f) Podatki so izginili. _____
- g) Ne verjamem njegovim besedam. _____
- h) Ostala sem brez besed. _____
- i) Ta tekočina je brezbarvna. _____
- j) Operacija je bila brez bolečin. _____
- k) Sem čisto brez denarja. _____
- l) To je neverjetna zgodba. _____
- m) Skušnjava je bila nepremagljiva. _____
- n) Gledalci so postali nepotrpežljivi. _____
- o) Vlaki niso bili točni. _____
- p) Slovenija je neodvisna država. _____
- q) Kako nelogičen odgovor. _____
- r) Vrata so bila nezaklenjena. _____