

Word Structure Exploration

Student Activity

1. Assign students to work together in small groups or as partners.
2. Tell students their job is to research ten of the most common prefixes and suffixes along with their meanings. (You can assign some groups prefixes and others suffixes, or you can have them do a mix.)
3. You might provide a website to help them get started, or they can search on their own, depending upon their media literacy.
4. Students should create a chart with their findings of the ten most common structures and meanings. Encourage them to make the chart attractive because they will be sharing with the class.
5. Part two of the assignment is to determine how they can “share” or “teach” their findings with their fellow students. They could create a game, song, poem—anything that helps the students to learn the structures and their meanings.
6. Finally, students will share with their classmates.

** Allot several class periods to complete this assignment.