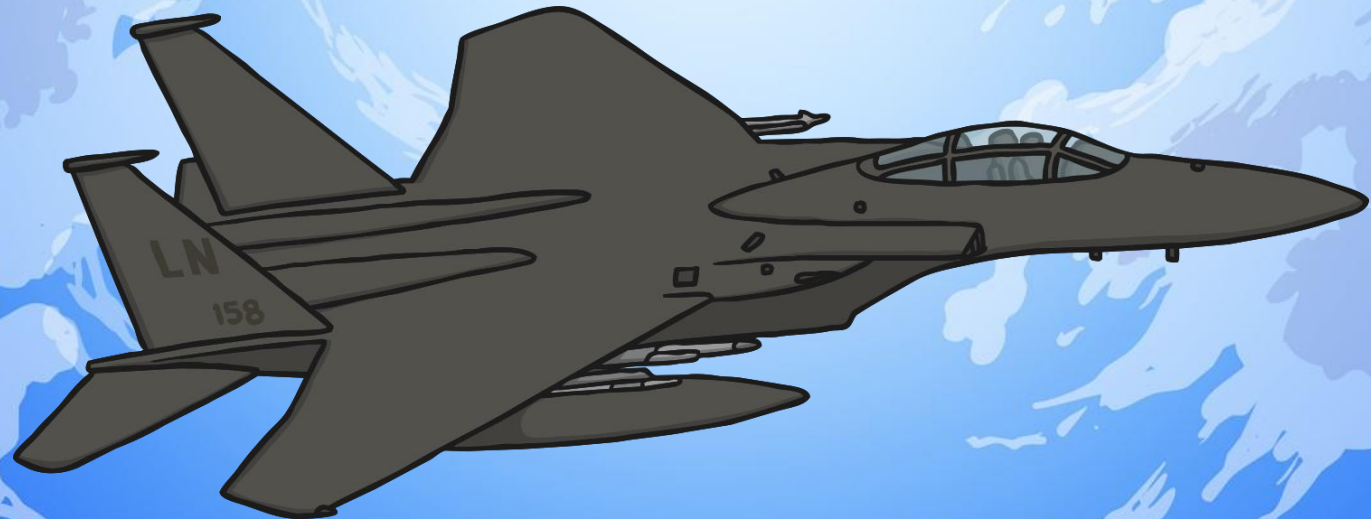


# Prefixes super- anti- auto-

**WALT:** Can I identify and use the prefixes –dis, –super and –auto?



# What is a Prefix?

Super-

Anti-

Auto-

A prefix is added to the beginning of a word to make a new word. Most prefixes are added to the beginning of root words without any changes in spelling.

**Like this:**



super + hero = superhero



auto + graph = autograph



anti + septic = antiseptic

# What is a Prefix?

It is important to understand the definitions of prefixes because they help us to figure out the meanings of any new words that we learn. Think about the different words which can be created through adding the prefix super – like superhero.

What do you think the prefix 'super' means?

super



# What is a Prefix?

What does the prefix **super** mean?

supernatural

Greater than normal natural powers.

superhero

Cartoon character that has extraordinary powers.

supernova

A star that suddenly increases greatly in brightness because of a catastrophic explosion.

It means *greater or above*.

# What is a Prefix?

Think about the different words which can be created through adding the prefix auto – like autobiography.

auto



# What is a Prefix?

What does the prefix **auto** mean?

automatic

A device or process that works by itself with little or no direct human control.

autograph

Written by the author themselves.

autobiography

History of a person which is written by that person her/himself.

It means *self* or *own*.

# What is a Prefix?

Think about the different words which can be created through adding the prefix anti – like antiseptic.

anti



# What is a Prefix?

What does the prefix **anti** mean?

antifreeze

A liquid which can be added to water to lower the freezing point and work against it freezing.

antibiotic

A medicine that works against the growth of or destroys microorganisms.

antiseptic

Preventing the growth of disease-carrying microorganisms.

It means *against* or *opposite of*.

# Prefixes super, anti, auto Quiz



## Instructions

1. Read the sentence on the quiz.
2. Choose the correct prefix for the **bold** word.
3. Discuss the meaning of the root word and how it changes when the prefix is added.



# Prefixes super, anti, auto Quiz

Which is the correct prefix for the bold word?

She is a global **star** and loved by many.



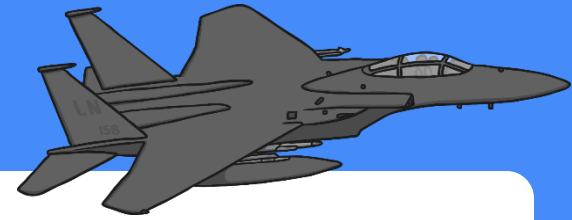
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# Prefixes super, anti, auto Quiz

Which is the correct prefix for the bold word?



The **sonic** jet named the Concorde was designed and built in Bristol.

super-

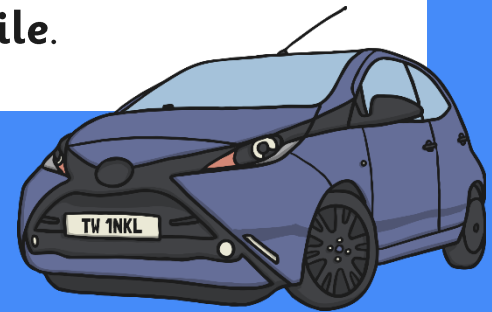
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# Prefixes super, anti, auto Quiz

Which is the correct prefix for the bold word?

A car is also known as an **mobile**.



super-

anti-

auto-

# Prefixes super, anti, auto Quiz

Which is the correct prefix for the bold word?

The actor signed **graphs** outside the premier for his fans.



super-

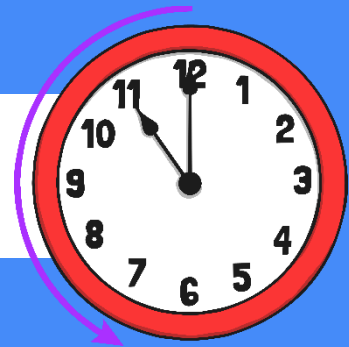
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# Prefixes super, anti, auto Quiz

Which is the correct prefix for the bold word?

The opposite of clockwise is **clockwise**.



super-

anti-

auto-

# Prefixes super, anti, auto Quiz

Which is the correct prefix for the bold word?

Comic book characters often have **human** powers.



super-

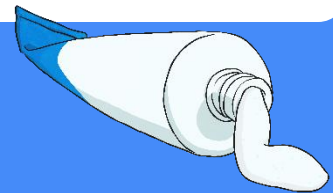
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# Prefixes super, anti, auto Quiz

Which is the correct prefix for the bold word?

To stop my cut from getting infected, the doctor gave me some **septic** cream.



super-

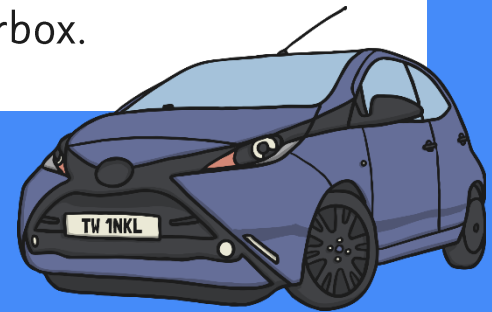
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# Prefixes super, anti, auto Quiz

Which is the correct prefix for the bold word?

My mum's car has an **matic** gearbox.



super-

anti-

auto-

# Prefixes super, anti, auto Quiz

Which is the correct prefix for the bold word?

My brother was told off for being **social**.



super-

anti-

auto-

# Prefixes super, anti, auto Quiz

Which is the correct prefix for the bold word?

I was told to push the trolley around the **market**.



super-

anti-

auto-

**Task: Find the worksheet in your pack.  
Can you follow the instructions on the sheet?**

## Prefix Pairs

### Instructions:

- Cut around each card and place it face down.
- Turn over two cards.
- You get to keep the pair if you turn over a prefix (super, anti, auto) + root word (freeze) = new word (antifreeze) that makes sense.
- Have another turn if you get a pair.
- The winner is the person with the most cards when all the cards have been paired up.

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| auto  | graph   | biography  |
| super | -ageing | allergenic |
| anti  | natural | perspirant |