

Appendix E

Common Prefixes and Suffixes

Prefixes			
Rank	Prefix	Meaning	%
1	un	not, opposite of	26
2	re	again	14
3	in, im, ir, ill	not	11
4	dis	not, opposite of	7
5	en, em	cause to	4
6	non	not	4
7	in, im	in or into	4
8	over	too much	3
9	mis	wrongly	3
10	sub	under	3
11	pre	before	3
12	inter	between, among	3
13	fore	before	3
14	de	opposite of	2
15	trans	across	2
16	super	above	1
17	semi	half	1
18	anti	against	1
19	mid	middle	1
20	under	too little	1

Suffixes

Rank	Suffix	Meaning	%
1	s, es	plurals	31
2	ed	past-tense verbs	20
3	ing	verb form/present participle	14
4	ly	characteristic of	7
5	er, or	person connected with	4
6	ion, tion, ation, ition	act, process	4
7	ible, able	can be done	2
8	al, ial	having characteristics of	1
9	y	characterized by	1
10	ness	state of, condition of	1
11	ity, ty	state of	1
12	ment	action or process	1
13	ie	having characteristics of	1
14	ous, eous, ious	possession the qualities of	1
15	en	made of	1
16	er	comparative	1
17	ive, ative, itive	adjective form of a noun	1
18	ful	full of	1
19	less	without	1
20	est	comparative	1