#### Study Island

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**1.** Using your knowledge of prefixes, suffixes, and word roots, answer the question.

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| After trying and trying to get Francis on board, Joanne decided that he was being **dismissive** of the entire trip, and she left him alone. |

What does the word **dismissive** mean in the sentence above?

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| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | hopeful |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | not interested |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | anxious |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | energized |

**2.** Using your knowledge of prefixes, suffixes, and word roots, answer the question.

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| Felipe was surprised that the driver's name was **audible** over the train's noise. |

What does the word **audible** mean in the sentence above?

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| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | able to be heard |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | to be heard again |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | unable to be heard |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | to be heard twice |

**3.** Using your knowledge of prefixes, suffixes, and word roots, answer the question.

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| At the local homeless shelter, George and Angelica **administer** to the poor; they like to help people find jobs. |

In the sentence above, the word **administer** means to

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| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | preach. |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | organize. |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | give. |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | yell. |

**4.** When the snow froze over into ice, it caused quite the catastrophe for the parking lot. The ice was so heavy, it caused the branches to break from the trees and onto the parked cars. In addition to the broken windshields, the floor to the lot was covered in debris and other particles. This was abnormal weather for this time of the year.  
  
Using your knowledge of Greek and Latin roots, what is the meaning of the word **abnormal** in the passage above?

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | Not normal |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | Cold |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | Hard |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | Normally |

**5.** "One of the duties of the State is that of caring for those of its citizens who find themselves the victims of such adverse circumstances as makes them unable to obtain even the necessities for mere existence without the aid of others." -- Franklin D. Roosevelt  
  
Identify the meaning of the prefix underlined within the following word: **adverse**.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | away |

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| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | to |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | from |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | again |

**6.** "In framing a government which is to be administered by men over men . . . you must first enable the government to control the governed; and in the next place oblige it to control itself." -- James Madison   
  
Identify the meaning of the prefix underlined within the following word: **oblige**.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | many |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | toward |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | through |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | in |

**7.** "General Wood does not think that I give quite enough credit to the Rough Riders as compared to the regulars in this Guasimas fight, and believes that I greatly underestimate the Spanish force and loss." -- Theodore Roosevelt   
  
Identify the meaning of the prefix underlined within the following word: **underestimate**.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | in |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | above |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | below |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | around |

**8.** When the snow froze over into ice, it caused quite the catastrophe for the parking lot. The ice was so heavy, it caused the branches to break from the trees and onto the parked cars. In addition to the broken windshields, the floor to the lot was covered in debris and other particles. This was abnormal weather for this time of the year.  
  
Using your knowledge of Greek and Latin roots, what is the meaning of the word **catastrophe** in the passage above?

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | Insurance |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | Glass |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | Heaviness |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | A turn for the worst |

**9.** A doctor must write a note for the pharmacist **before** you can purchase certain types of medicine. What is this note called?

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | prescription |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | unscription |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | antiscription |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | postscription |

**10.** Identify the meaning of the prefix underlined in the word **Interstate highway**.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | without |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | under |

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| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | over |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | between |

**11.** The word **revolution** contains the root **revolve**. What is the meaning of **revolution** in the context of the American Revolutionary War?

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | a significant technological discovery |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | a bloody war |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | a closely fought contest |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | a turning over of power |

**12.** Identify the meaning of the prefix underlined in the word **monologue**.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | one |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | few |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | before |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | many |

**13.** Identify the meaning of the root word underlined in the word **dictionary**.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | to ask |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | to step |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | to speak |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | to mix |

**14.** The word **manuscript** contains the root word **script** with the prefix **manu-**. What is the definition of **manuscript**?

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | a document written by hand |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | a homemade piece of furniture |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | a rock carving |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | a document written about another person |

**15.** The underlined suffix in "communism" means

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| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | the practice of. |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | a person who. |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | not or without. |

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| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | to cause or make. |

**16.** How would someone full of courage be described?

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | courageous |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | courageless |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | courageness |

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| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | couragish |

**17.** For a nation to progress, it needs to invest in the education of its young citizens. Education helps children become intelligent and mature adults.   
  
What does the word progress mean?

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | moving forward |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | moving against |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | moving below |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | moving under |

**18.** In words like droplet and piglet, what does the suffix -let mean?

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | not |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | little |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | like |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | over |

**19.** What does the underlined prefix mean in the following word: interstate.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | in front of |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | away from |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | under |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | between |

**20.** Identify the meaning of the prefix underlined within the following word: antidote.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A.** | with |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **B.** | before |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **C.** | after |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **D.** | against |

# Answers

1. B   
2. A   
3. C   
4. A   
5. B   
6. B   
7. C   
8. D   
9. A   
10. D   
11. D   
12. A   
13. C   
14. A   
15. A   
16. A   
17. A   
18. B   
19. D   
20. D

# Explanations

1. **Dis-** means "away, not, negative, opposite of, or separate." **Mis-** means "wrong, bad, or badly." The suffix **-ive** is a condition. If Felipe is "away" from the trip and not wanting to be involved, he is dismissing it, meaning he is not accepting it well. He's in a state or condition of not wanting to accept the trip.

2. The prefix **aud-** means "to hear." The suffix **-ible** means "the ability to" or "to be able to." When you combine them, you understand that Felipe was hearing over the sound of the noisy train.

3. **Ad-** is a prefix that means "to," and the root word **minister** means "serve." Therefore, "to give" is the best answer. At the local homeless shelter, George and Angelica give to the poor; they like to help people find jobs. George and Angelica give their time and help.

4. The root word "normal" is easy to figure out. By adding the prefix "ab-" you get "not normal" because the prefix "ab-" means "apart, or away from."

5. The prefix "ad-" means "toward." The word "-verse" means "to turn or change." When you combine them, you get "toward a turn or change." So if something has an adverse reaction, it is changing toward something else.

6. The prefix "ob-" means "toward." The word part "lige" means "to bind." If you observe something, you're looking towards it. If you oblige something, you're binding it towards oath.

7. "Under" means "below." In this case, a "below estimate" is one where the estimate is less than the actual size, quantity, or number.

8. The word "cata-" is a prefix meaning "down." The suffix "-strophe" means "turning." By putting them together you get "down turning." Think about how all of the branches fell to the parking lot. They took a turn downward.

9. The prefix **pre-** means "before."

10. An interstate highway is a highway that goes between states. The **Internet** is a network that goes **between** networks of computers.

11. To **revolve** is to spin or rotate. The American Revolution was the changing of power from the British Government to the new American Government.

12. A **monologue** is a speech delivered by one person. A **monopoly** occurs when there is only **one** supplier of a product.

13. The root **dict** is also found in **contradiction** and **dictate**.

14. The prefix **manu-** means "hand." The root **script** means "writing."

15. The suffix "-ism" means "belief in" or "practice of." "Communism" is "the practice of" the Communist Party.

16. The suffix "-ous" means "full of." Therefore, "courageous" means "full of courage."

17. The prefix "pro-" means "forward." "Progress" means to "move forward."

18. The suffix "-let" means "little." A "piglet" is "a little pig." A "droplet" is "a little drop of liquid."

19. The prefix "inter-" means "between." An interstate is a highway that goes "between" states.

20. The Greek prefix "anti-" means "against," "not," "opposite," "opposing," or "counteracting." "Antidote" is a remedy used to counteract the effects of a poison.