

**Words at work**

**Task 1a**

See the text on page 35

Two words with the prefix in \_\_\_\_\_, un \_\_\_\_\_ appear in the text.

What are they?

What effect do the prefixes have on the meaning of the word?

**Task 1b**

Underline the prefixes in the following words:

disorder

incapable

impossible

unbelievable

irregular

illegal

Guess the meaning of each prefix.

Think of other words formed with the same prefixes.

These prefixes are used to make a word:

Positive

Negative

**Task 1c**

What prefix would you add to each of these words in order to make them negative?

\_\_\_\_\_ agree

\_\_\_\_\_ predictable

\_\_\_\_\_ ability

\_\_\_\_\_ organized

\_\_\_\_\_ trained

\_\_\_\_\_ mortal

\_\_\_\_\_ responsible

\_\_\_\_\_ familiar

\_\_\_\_\_ human

\_\_\_\_\_ direct

\_\_\_\_\_ credible

\_\_\_\_\_ patient

\_\_\_\_\_ logical

\_\_\_\_\_ approve

\_\_\_\_\_ covered \*

\_\_\_\_\_ flexible

\_\_\_\_\_ relevant

\_\_\_\_\_ comfortable

\*You can use more than one prefix before this word.

How does the meaning change?

Is each root word a noun or an adjective?

Use your dictionary!

**Task 2**

Select the correct word from the following list. Add the correct prefix.

legal

honest

polite

conscious

regular

1. Those boys didn't say "please" or "thank you." They were very \_\_\_\_\_.
2. After the accident, he was \_\_\_\_\_ for 15 minutes.
3. He always tells lies. He's completely \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The use of drugs is against the law. It's \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The bus schedule is very \_\_\_\_\_. Sometimes we have to wait for up to one hour.

Task 3a

Read these sentences:



Beethoven was born in the 18th century

John Lennon was killed by a madman in 1980.

On March 10, 1876, Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone.

Kids usually wake up at nine o'clock on Saturday.

They usually play soccer on weekends



Task 3b

Complete this table with: in on or at

We use <input type="text"/> for	times of the day specific periods
We use <input type="text"/> for	
We use <input type="text"/> for	months seasons years centuries
We use <input type="text"/> for	days of the week dates

Task 3c

Now, complete the tables with: in on or at

Times of the day / Specific periods	Months / Seasons Years / Centuries
<input type="text"/> five o'clock	<input type="text"/> February
<input type="text"/> seven thirty	<input type="text"/> November
<input type="text"/> midnight	<input type="text"/> summer
<input type="text"/> Christmas	<input type="text"/> winter
<input type="text"/> Easter	<input type="text"/> 1994
<input type="text"/> the weekend	<input type="text"/> the twenty first century

Days of the week / Dates
<input type="text"/> Sunday
<input type="text"/> Friday
<input type="text"/> September 16th
<input type="text"/> July 4th
<input type="text"/> November 24th

Task 3 d

Complete the sentences with: **in, on or at.**

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday, we wake up \_\_\_\_\_ ten o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ the morning.
- 2 The teacher arrived \_\_\_\_\_ quarter past four \_\_\_\_\_ the afternoon \*
- 3 In the USA people play football \_\_\_\_\_ winter and baseball \_\_\_\_\_ summer.
- 4 I often study late \_\_\_\_\_ night.
- 5 Oscar usually plays baseball \_\_\_\_\_ Tuesdays and football \_\_\_\_\_ Saturdays.

\* **Look :** in the morning,  
in the afternoon

in the evening,  
but **at** night

Task 4

Make sentences.

Example:

When is the Mexican Independence Day?

Mexican Independence Day is on September. 16th

When is Christmas Day?

\_\_\_\_\_

When is your birthday?

\_\_\_\_\_

When is Columbus Day?

\_\_\_\_\_

When does summer begin?

\_\_\_\_\_

Task 5

Read the text and transfer the information in it to the table.

Of Mexico's eighty-one million people, sixty percent are mestizo. This means

they are of mixed European and native American descendant.

An additional thirty percent are of fifty-six

different native

American groups.

Nine percent are white

and only one percent

is black.

Complete the chart with the correct numbers

Mestizo	60 %	_____ million people
Native American groups	30 %	_____
White	9 %	7.29
Black	1 %	_____
Mexican People	100 %	81 million people

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