

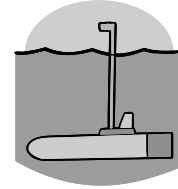
# Prefixes

A **prefix** is a word part added to the beginning of a root word. A prefix changes the meaning of the word.

The prefix **sub-** means *under*.

submarine = a ship that is underwater

The prefix is *sub-* and the root word is *marine*.



**A.** Write the best word from the choice box to complete each sentence. Use each word only once.

subway	untidy	submarine	repay	subzero
retest	unhappy	subtitle	reread	uncertain

1. When his field trip was cancelled, Roberto was \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The roads were icy because of the \_\_\_\_\_ temperatures.
3. Mom asked, "Did you straighten your \_\_\_\_\_ room?"
4. Tanya was \_\_\_\_\_ about which pair of shoes she should buy.
5. Many people ride the \_\_\_\_\_ to work every day in New York City.
6. Any student who failed the test would have to take a \_\_\_\_\_.
7. I had to \_\_\_\_\_ the question in order to understand it.
8. The \_\_\_\_\_ was in boldfaced print.
9. How do sailors feel when they travel in a \_\_\_\_\_ for days?
10. If you borrow money, you need to \_\_\_\_\_ it.

**B.** Reread your answers and circle each prefix.

# Jumble

Unscramble each word below.

1. bsuyaw            **—** **—** **—**
2. knieu                   **—**
3. ntplsenaaua                                                      **—**
4. merbrmee                   **—**
5. vwreie     **—**
6. repyap                   **—**
7. qunuale                                               **—**
8. fsaeun            **—**

Now use the letters on the **bold lines** to solve the riddle.

What can go up the chimney down but can't go down the chimney up?

a                                                 



# Answers

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1. unhappy
2. subzero
3. untidy
4. uncertain
5. subway
6. retest
7. reread
8. subtitle
9. submarine
10. repay

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1. subway
  2. unlike
  3. unpleasant
  4. remember
  5. review
  6. prepay
  7. unequal
  8. unsafe
- riddle: an umbrella