

# Prefix 'un-': Student Read Sheet with Words, Phrases, and Sentences

For this activity, students will practice reading words, phrases, and sentences with the prefix 'un-'. Students will decode words, build accuracy and fluency, and strengthen their vocabulary.

#### Materials:

- prefix 'un-' read sheet for each student
- · pencil for each student

#### **Directions:**

This activity can be used with a whole class or in a small group.

The initial reading of this page should focus on decoding the words accurately. Subsequent readings should focus on fluency.

#### STEPS FOR READING WORDS IN ISOLATION:

- 1. On a printed copy of the student read sheet, use the three lines at the top to model writing (lowercase letters) 'u', 'n', and then a dash. While you write, say, "Prefix 'un-' (pronounced 'u', 'n') means not or opposite of." Students say and write this on all three lines. (We use a dash after the 'un' to show that it is a prefix and will connect to a base word.)
- 2. Students can then reread the words in isolation just saying the whole word.
- **3.** Next, tell students that the phrases and sentences contain the words above that they have already read above and have practiced reading.

#### STEPS FOR READING PHRASES AND SENTENCES:

#### **Option A**

- 1. Read one phrase at a time with students and make sure that they can accurately decode each word in the phrase.
- 2. After a phrase has been decoded, have the students reread the phrase, this time trying to read the whole phrase without segmenting the sounds in each word.
- **3.** For the third reading, choose an emotion (happy, sad, angry, surprised, etc.) and have the students read the phrases that way.
- 4. Continue until all phrases have been read.
- **5.** Follow this procedure with each sentence on the activity page.



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#### **Option B**

- 1. For the first reading, read each phrase and have students follow along (track) as you read.
- 2. For the second reading, read each phrase together with the students.
- 3. For the next reading, have the students read together without you.
- 4. Tell students, "If you get stuck or are moving too fast or slow, I will turn my voice back on."
- 5. Repeat the process with the sentences.
- 6. For the final reading, which can be done during the lesson or at a later time, students can partner-read or whisper-read the whole page independently.

For Vocabulary Building: You can help build students' vocabulary by addressing words on the activity page that have multiple meanings or words that students may not know.

- · For example, students may not know the meaning of the word unjust. You can say, "Unjust means not right or not fair."
- Have students repeat, "Unjust means not right or not fair."

Teacher Tip: Store each student's read sheets in a folder or binder so they can use them for additional practice, if needed.

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### Prefix 'un-'

Read the words.

unwell	unlike	untwist	unsafe
unload	unkind	unstack	unpack
unwind	unfold	unjust	unreal

#### Read the phrases.

felt unwell	unlike her dad
will help untwist	is unsafe
can unload boxes	felt it was unjust
will help unstack	need to unpack

Read the sentences.

Can you unfold the napkin?

I will help mom unload the boxes from the trunk.

Unlike her dad, Beth likes to jump rope.

He felt unwell and did not go to play with his friends.

