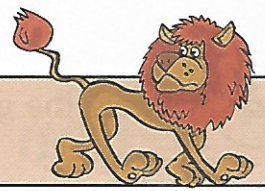


Hyphenating Prefixes



Hyphens are used to **join words** together or **add a prefix**. Some words are written with hyphens so they **aren't confused** with similar words.

I re-sorted my papers.

I resorted to walking to work.

're-sorted' means 'to **sort again**'. It needs a hyphen to show that it means something **different** from 'resorted' which means 'to **turn to an undesirable option**'.

Hyphens are often used if the prefix ends in a **vowel** and the root word begins with a **vowel**.

CO-OWN

- 1 Underline the prefixes in the words below.
Then rewrite the words with a hyphen in the correct place.

reexamine

reemerge

proAmerican

preorder

coordinate

coexist

- 2 Hyphens have been added incorrectly to the words below.
Rewrite these words on the clipboard below with a hyphen in the correct place.

preo-wn

antiage-ing

reel-ect

reen-ter

proEuro-pean

antiAmer-ican

coow-ner

