

## Productive Prefixes

**ab** (allomorph **ā**; by assimilation **abs**) = ‘from, away from’; as in

**ab|sēns**: absent  
**abs|tineō**: withhold, keep away  
**ab|sum**: be absent  
**ā|mittō**: send away

**ad** (by assimilation **ac/af/ag/al/an/ap/ar/as/at**) = ‘to, towards, in addition’; as in

**ac|cidō**: happen  
**ac|cipiō**: accept, receive  
**ac|cūsō**: reproach, find fault with  
**ad|eō**: go to, approach  
**ad|iuvō**: aid, help  
**ad|sum**: be present, be at hand  
**af|ficiō**: affect  
**ag|gerō**: bring forward  
**al|loquor**: speak to, address  
**an|nuntiō**: announce, proclaim  
**ap|pellō**: call, name, address  
**ap|propinquō**: approach, draw near  
**ar|ripiō**: grasp, seize  
**as|similis**: similar, like  
**at|tendō**: notice, pay attention to

**ante** = ‘in front of; before’; as in

**ante|cēdō**: precede, excel  
**ante|quam** (subord. conj.): before

**circum** = ‘around’; as in

**circum|ducō**: lead around  
**circum|veniō**: come around, surround

**cum** (found only as allomorph con; by assimilation **co/cog/col/com/cor**) = ‘with, together’;  
(intensive force) ‘completely, very greatly, deeply, forcibly’; as in

**co|gō**: gather together; force  
**cog|nātus**: from the same stock, kindred  
**col|locō**: arrange, put in place  
**col|loquor**: talk together, converse

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**com|moveō:** move deeply, alarm  
**con|cēdō:** allow; give up, yield  
**con|cidō:** fall, collapse  
**con|ficiō:** finish, complete  
**cōn|spiciō:** see, look at  
**cōn|stituō:** decide, set up  
**con|tendō:** hasten, contend  
**cor|rumpō:** destroy, corrupt

**(cont.)contrā** = ‘against, opposite’; as in

**contrā|dicō:** speak against, contradict  
**contrā|pōnō:** place opposite, oppose

**dē** = ‘from, down from, aside, out, off’; (intensive force) ‘utterly, completely’; as in

**dē|fluō:** flow down  
**dē|liberō:** decide, deliberate  
**dē|mens:** out of one’s mind, delirious  
**dē|pōno:** put aside, lay aside, entrust  
**dē|serō:** leave, desert  
**dē|sum:** be lacking, fail

**dis** (allomorph **dī**; by assimilation **dif**) = ‘apart, away, not’; as in

**dif|ficilis:** difficult (i.e., not easy)  
**dī|ligō:** esteem, value, honor (i.e., select apart)  
**dī|mittō:** send away  
**dis|cēdō:** go away, depart  
**dis|similis:** unlike, dissimilar

**ex** (allomorph **ē**; by assimilation **ef**) = ‘from, out of, forth’; (intensive force) ‘exceedingly, up’; as in

**ef|ficiō:** bring about  
**ef|fugiō:** escape  
**ē|jiciō:** throw out, banish  
**ē|loquor:** speak out, declare  
**ex|citō:** arouse, wake up  
**ex|eō:** go out, depart  
**ex|spectō:** look out for, wait for

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**extrā** = ‘outside’; as in

**extrā|mūrānus**: outside the walls  
**extrā|ordinarius**: outside the ordinary, extraordinary

**in** (by assimilation **il/im/ir**) = ‘in, into on, upon’; as in

**il|labōrō**: work at, work on  
**im|mittō**: let in, admit, insert  
**im|pedimentum**: hindrance  
**im|pediō**: hinder  
**im|petus**: attack, impulse  
**im|pōnō**: put upon, place upon, impose  
**in|cipiō**: begin  
**in|dex**: informer, indicator  
**in|ferō**: bring in, bring up  
**in|struō**: build up  
**in|tendō**: stretch, bend; intend  
**in|vādō**: enter, attack  
**in|veniō**: find, come upon  
**ir|rigō**: water, irrigate

**in** (by assimilation **il/im/ir**) = ‘not, un-’; as in

**in|imīcus**: hostile, unfriendly (i.e., not friendly)  
**in|opia**: a lack (i.e., not an abundance)  
**in|tolerābilis**: intolerable

**inter** = ‘between’; as in

**inter|eō**: perish, be done for  
**inter|ficiō**: kill, do away with  
**inter|rogō**: ask, inquire

**intrō** = ‘within, in’; as in

**intrō|mittō**: let in, admit  
**intro|spiciō**: look within, examine

**ob** (by assimilation **oc/of/op**) = ‘against, opposite, towards, to’; as in

**ob|eō**: meet, travel to  
**oc|cāsiō**: opportunity

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**oc|cīdō:** kill  
**of|ferō:** offer  
**op|pōnō:** put opposite, set against, oppose

**per** = ‘through’; (intensive force) ‘thoroughly, very, completely’; as in

**per|eō:** perish, die  
**per|ficiō:** complete, finish, bring to an end  
**per|mittō:** allow, permit  
**per|suadeō:** persuade  
**per|veniō:** arrive

**post** = ‘behind’; as in

**post|habeō:** slight, neglect  
**post|pōnō:** consider of secondary importance, set aside  
**post|quam** (subord. conj.); after  
**post|scribō:** add ( a name) to

**prae** = ‘before, in front, forth’; (intensive force) ‘very ‘; as in

**prae|cēdō:** go before  
**prae|dicō:** mention beforehand, predict  
**prae|ficiō:** place in charge of  
**prae|ferō:** hold out, prefer  
**prae|moneō:** warn before, forewarn  
**prae|sum:** be in charge of

**praeter** = ‘beyond, other than’; as in

**praeter|eō:** go past, pass by , skip over  
**praeter|mittō:** let pass, omit

**pro** = ‘before, for, in behalf of’; as in

**prō|cēdō:** proceed, go forward  
**prō|ducō:** bring forth  
**prō|ficīscor:** set out, start  
**prō|hibeō:** prevent, hinder, keep from  
**prō|vocō:** call forth, challenge

**re** (**red-** before vowels) = ‘back, backward, again’; (intensive force) ‘thoroughly’; as in

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**red|dō:** give back, return, render  
**red|eō:** go back, return  
**re|dūcō:** bring back, lead back  
**re|ferō:** carry back, bring back  
**re|linquō:** leave behind, abandon  
**re|quīrō:** ask for, look for  
**re|spondeō:** answer  
**re|tineō:** keep, retain

**sē** = ‘apart, aside, without’; as in

**sē|cēdō:** go apart, withdraw  
**sē|curitās:** freedom from care, safety, security  
**sē|moveō:** separate, remove

**sub** (by assimilation **suc/suf/sug/sup/sur/sus**) = ‘under, up (from beneath); rather, somewhat, a little, secretly’; as in

**sub|dūcō:** draw up from below  
**sub|eō:** enter, approach; undergo  
**sub|sequor:** follow after  
**suc|cessus:** success  
**suf|ferō:** bear, endure, suffer  
**sug|gerō:** supply, prompt, suggest  
**sup|pōnō:** place under, substitute  
**sur|ripiō:** snatch secretly, pilfer  
**sus|tineō:** hold up, endure

**super** = ‘over, above’; as in

**super|dūcō:** lead or draw over  
**super|pōnō:** place over

**trāns** (allomorph **trā**) = ‘across, over’; as in

**trā|iiciō:** throw across, pierce  
**trān|scribō:** copy off, transfer, transcribe  
**trāns|eō:** go across  
**trāns|ferō:** take over, transfer  
**trans|igō:** pierce; finish, transact