

Name _____

Prefix Pattern Meanings Answer Key

Meaning: Not

unlock, untie, uncover

Meaning: Before

preview, preheat, preplan

Meaning: Again

redo, recook, replay, reprint

Teacher's Guide

- Review the meanings of the prefixes **un-** (not), **pre-** (before), and **re-** (again) before students begin.
- Model the first example together by identifying the prefix, the base word, and the meaning that results when they are combined.
- For differentiation, provide color-coded prefix cards that match each meaning category for visual support.
- Allow emerging readers to work with a partner and say each word aloud to confirm whether its meaning fits the category.
- For engagement, hide additional prefixed word cards around the room and let students sort them into meaning baskets.
- For extension, have students create short sentences using one word from each meaning category.