Name

Prefix Pattern Check Answer Key

Real Words (circle): remake, unkind, preheat, dislike, reread, unfix

Nonsense Words (cross out): prejump, dissleep, rewalk, untalk, prewater, disrun

Teacher's Guide

- Review the meanings of re-, un-, pre-, and dis- before students begin.
 Emphasize that some prefixes can create real words while others will not make sense with certain base words.
- Encourage students to break each word into its prefix and base word, then
 ask: Does this sound like a real English word?
- For differentiation, give struggling learners a chart of common real prefixed words to reference.
- For engagement, turn it into a movement activity where students stand for real words and sit for nonsense words.
- For extension, have students choose two nonsense words and turn them into silly dictionary entries with made-up definitions.

