

Develop your vocabulary: prefixes

In STUDY SKILLS Success we focused on suffixes. In this exercise we look at prefixes. First use your dictionary to find the meanings of the prefixes below.

- ante- before in time or position, eg A.M, ante meridiem, before noon
- anti-.....
- bi-.....
- circum-.....
- extra-
- inter-
- intra-
- multi-.....
- syn-, sym- ...
- iso-.....



Hyphen or no hyphen?
You cannot know this for sure except by checking in your dictionary!

Now complete the sentences below using words which include these prefixes.

1. Spectacles with two lenses are called _____ focals.
2. Magellan was the first man to _____ navigate the world.
3. The _____ net can only be accessed by people within the university.
4. The relationship between the water buffalo and the egret is a _____ biotic one.
5. An _____ metric drawing displays all lines to the same scale in three dimensions.
6. A _____ lateral treaty involves more than two nations.
7. Penicillin, the earliest manufactured _____ biotic, effectively destroys bacteria.
8. An _____ galactic body is one that exists outside this Galaxy.
9. _____ natal problems tend to be quite different from those that occur after birth.
10. The _____ costal muscles are located between the ribs.

Finally, using the picture in STUDY SKILLS Success, **Learning words in families** as a model, write all the words you can think of which begin with these two prefixes...

inter

iso

