

Learning Objective:

To explore when a hyphen is needed when using a prefix

Hyphens

Hyphens are used to join words together or to add a prefix.

Some words are written with hyphens so they aren't confused with similar words.

How does the hyphen change the meaning of the word?

I **re-sorted** my papers.

I **resorted** to walking to work.

Explain the difference in meaning of these words:

re-sign
resign

re-covered
recovered

re-sent
resent

Write two sentences using one pair of the words to show the difference in meaning.

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

co-own

pre-own

anti-aging

re-enter

Can you think of any other examples?