

The Prefixes un- and re-

2nd Grade

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un- = not · re- = again

happy → unhappy

not happy

un- flips the meaning to its opposite.

tie → untie

undo the tying

un- can also mean 'reverse it'.

read → reread

read again

re- means to do it a second time.

build → rebuild

build again

The root word never changes its spelling.

Cover the prefix. The word underneath should still be a real word.