

# Biology Terminologies Prefix And Suffix Quick Review Notes

Biology is a vast and complex subject, and its terminology can be daunting. Prefixes and suffixes are essential parts of biological terminology, and they can help you to understand the meaning of biological terms and to use them correctly in your writing and speaking.

This book is a comprehensive guide to the prefixes and suffixes used in biology. It will help you to:

- Understand the meaning of biological terms
- Use biological terms correctly in your writing and speaking
- Improve your understanding of biology

Prefixes are added to the beginning of words to change their meaning. In biology, prefixes are often used to indicate the size, shape, or function of a biological structure.



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Some common prefixes used in biology include:

- **a-** (without)
- **anti-** (against)
- **bi-** (two)
- **endo-** (within)
- **epi-** (upon)
- **exo-** (outside)
- **hemi-** (half)
- **hyper-** (above)
- **hypo-** (below)
- **intra-** (within)
- **inter-** (between)
- **macro-** (large)
- **micro-** (small)
- **multi-** (many)
- **neo-** (new)
- **paleo-** (old)
- **para-** (beside)

- **peri-** (around)
- **poly-** (many)
- **pre-** (before)
- **pro-** (before)
- **pseudo-** (false)
- **retro-** (backward)
- **sub-** (under)
- **super-** (above)
- **supra-** (above)
- **syn-** (together)
- **trans-** (across)
- **ultra-** (beyond)

Suffixes are added to the end of words to change their meaning. In biology, suffixes are often used to indicate the type of molecule or the function of a biological structure.

Some common suffixes used in biology include:

- **-ase** (enzyme)
- **-cyte** (cell)
- **-in** (protein)
- **-itis** (inflammation)

- **-oma** (tumor)
- **-ose** (sugar)
- **-phage** (virus)
- **-plasm** (fluid)
- **-some** (body)
- **-trophy** (nourishment)

Let's take a look at some examples of how prefixes and suffixes are used in biology.

- The term **antibiotic** means "against life." It is used to describe a substance that kills or inhibits the growth of bacteria.
- The term **endoplasmic reticulum** means "within the cytoplasm." It is used to describe a network of membranes that is found in the cytoplasm of cells.
- The term **hemoglobin** means "blood protein." It is used to describe a protein that is found in red blood cells and that carries oxygen.
- The term **mitochondria** means "thread-like bodies." It is used to describe small organelles that are found in the cytoplasm of cells and that produce energy.
- The term **photosynthesis** means "to combine light." It is used to describe the process by which plants use sunlight to convert carbon dioxide and water into glucose and oxygen.

Prefixes and suffixes are essential parts of biological terminology. They can help you to understand the meaning of biological terms and to use them correctly in your writing and speaking. This book is a comprehensive guide to the prefixes and suffixes used in biology. It will help you to improve your understanding of biology and to communicate more effectively with other biologists.

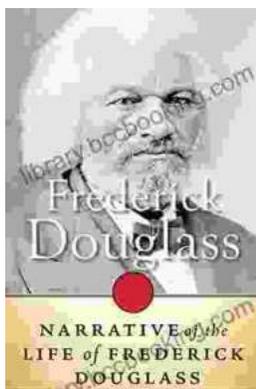
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