

# Step 1: Adding 'de-' 'dis-' 'mis-'

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**Amy misheard what the teacher said.**

**Or:**

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**Misspelt; disgrace; defend**

**Various answers, for example:**

**Catherine and I misspelt the word apocalypse.**

**Robin was told he was a disgrace to the family after his father caught him stealing.**

**The warriors were told to defend their king and land.**

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**The prefix 'mis' changes the meaning of the root word because it means 'wrong' or 'incorrect'. Misbehave means not behaving correctly.**

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**Jodie is correct because she has used the correct prefix in her sentence. 'Desatisfied' is not a word. Various answers, for example; I was dissatisfied with my meal I had at the restaurant.**