

## Let's look at the prefix dis-

Notice how able (ability) can have two prefixes. It can be able-unable or able-disable. What are the differences between the two prefixes?



The prefix *dis-* usually means that there is no or none of something. For example, Trust (I trust you) and Distrust (I have no trust in you).

### Read this text and underline all the words with the prefix dis-

There is someone I really dislike at work but I'm not sure how to deal with it. You might be able to give me some advice. The reason I dislike this person is because they are very disloyal. They'll say wonderful things to you but then say disagreeable things behind your back. It's dishonest if you ask me. If this person continues treating people like that someone is going to feel disrespected. Honestly, I hope they'll disrespect the boss and maybe she'll discontinue their contract.

Can you give me some advice? How should I deal with this person? I don't know what to do!

### Complete the sentences using the words in the box

dislike disobey discontinue dishonest disloyal

1. Just seeing her here is making me sick. I truly \_\_\_\_\_ her.
2. He left the company after working here less than a year. Seems a little \_\_\_\_\_ to me.
3. The PS5 is out. Do you think they'll \_\_\_\_\_ the PS4?
4. I saw a mother yelling at her child in the mall. A lot of people don't think it's right, but how else will they learn not to \_\_\_\_\_.
5. He looked me right in the eye when he said it. There is nobody more \_\_\_\_\_ than him.

**Now ask and answer the following questions. Try using words with prefixes**

1. Have you ever been dishonest with someone and regretted it afterwards?
2. What are the advantages and disadvantages of getting married?
3. What do you do when you dislike someone? Do you avoid them or not?
4. What would you do if someone disrespected you?
5. What is something someone has done that you really disapproved of?
6. Have you ever felt disappointed? Why was it?