

# Varied Fluency

## Step 1: Removing 'un'

### National Curriculum Objectives:

English Year 1: (1G6.2) [How the prefix un- changes the meaning of verbs and adjectives \[negation, for example, unkind, or undoing: untie the boat\]](#)

### Differentiation:

**Developing** Questions to support removing the prefix 'un' from words. Includes CVC words and words with single consonant or vowel sounds.

**Expected** Questions to support removing the prefix 'un' from words. Includes phonetically decodable words using all phonic sounds.

**Greater Depth** Questions to support removing the prefix 'un' from words. Includes some words which are not phonetically decodable.

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1a. Remove 'un' from the words on the left and match them to their new word.

unzip

cap

unfed

zip

uncap

fed



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1b. Remove 'un' from the words on the left and match them to their new word.

unfit

cut

uncut

box

unbox

fit



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2a. True or false?

The opposite of 'unpin' is 'pin'.



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2b. True or false?

The opposite of 'did' is 'undid'.



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3a. Circle the opposite meaning to the word: unwell.

A. Well

B. Ill



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3b. Circle the opposite meaning to the word: unpack.

A. Dark

B. Pack



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4a. Complete the sentence below by removing 'un' from the word: unplug.

It's time to \_\_\_\_\_ in  
your laptops.



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4b. Complete the sentence below by removing 'un' from the word: untie.

You need to \_\_\_\_\_  
your hair up for PE.



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5a. Remove 'un' from the words on the left and match them to their new word.

untie

dress

untrue

tie

undress

screw

unscrew

true



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5b. Remove 'un' from the words on the left and match them to their new word.

unseen

wise

unwise

read

untwist

seen

unread

twist



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6a. True or false?

The opposite of 'unclear' is 'clear'.



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6b. True or false?

The opposite of 'safe' is 'safeun'.



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7a. Circle the opposite meaning to the word: unkind.

A. Horrible

B. Mean

C. Nice



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7b. Circle the opposite meaning to the word: unhappy.

A. Sad

B. Cheerful

C. Miserable



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8a. Complete the sentence below by removing 'un' from the word: unload.

The driver must \_\_\_\_\_  
the boxes onto his van.



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8b. Complete the sentence below by removing 'un' from the word: unlucky.

The man was \_\_\_\_\_  
not to be hurt in the crash.



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9a. Remove 'un' from the words on the left and match them to their new word.

unhealthy

cover

unusual

familiar

uncover

healthy

unfamiliar

wanted

unwanted

usual



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9b. Remove 'un' from the words on the left and match them to their new word.

unwrap

harmed

unheard

fasten

uneven

wrap

unfasten

even

unharm

heard



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10a. True or false?

The opposite of 'unpleasing' is 'please'.



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10b. True or false?

The opposite of 'believable' is 'unbelieve'.



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11a. Circle the opposite meaning to the word: uncertain.

A. Not clear

B. Sure

C. Unsure



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11b. Circle the opposite meaning to the word: unhurt.

A. Well

B. Injured

C. Safe



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12a. Complete the sentence below by removing 'un' from the word: unused.

Max bought a \_\_\_\_\_  
car when he was eighteen.



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12b. Complete the sentence below by removing 'un' from the word: unopened.

The letter was \_\_\_\_\_  
and left out on the table.



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### Developing

- 1a. unzip and zip, unfed and fed, uncap and cap
- 2a. True
- 3a. A
- 4a. plug

### Expected

- 5a. untie and tie, untrue and true, undress and dress, unscrew and screw
- 6a. True
- 7a. C
- 8a. load

### Greater Depth

- 9a. unhealthy and healthy, unusual and usual, uncover and cover, unfamiliar and familiar, unwanted and wanted
- 10a. False, the opposite of 'unpleasing' is 'pleasing'.
- 11a. B
- 12a. used

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### Developing

- 1b. unfit and fit, uncut and cut, unbox and box
- 2b. True
- 3b. B
- 4b. tie

### Expected

- 5b. unseen and seen, unwise and wise, untwist and twist, unread and read
- 6b. False, the opposite of 'safe' is 'unsafe'.
- 7b. B
- 8b. lucky

### Greater Depth

- 9b. unwrap and wrap, unheard and heard, uneven and even, unfasten and fasten, unearth and earth
- 10b. False, the opposite of 'believable' is 'unbelievable'.
- 11b. B
- 12b. opened