

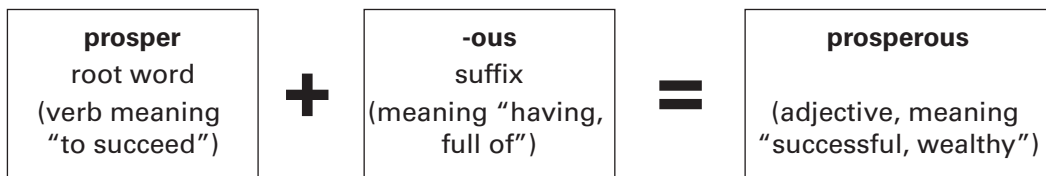
THE RENAISSANCE AND REFORMATION

Vocabulary Builder**Word Parts**

The three basic word parts are root words, prefixes, and suffixes. A **root word** is the main part of a word and can usually stand alone. A **prefix** is added to the beginning of a word. A **suffix** is a word part that is added to the end of a word. Prefixes and suffixes can form a new word or change the meaning of a word. A suffix can also tell you what part of speech a word is (noun, verb, adjective).

Example

The word *prosperous* has been divided to show the root word and the suffix.



Directions: *Underline the prefixes and suffixes in the following Vocabulary Builder words. Then, use a dictionary to find the meaning of each prefix or suffix. Record it in the space below. The first word has been done for you.*

1. comprehend: with, together
2. emerge: _____
3. radical: _____
4. doctrine: _____
5. rigorous: _____
6. contradict: _____
7. philosopher: _____