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## Vocabulary Activity

One strategy for understanding vocabulary in a text is by focusing on the affixes (prefixes and suffixes). In the reading selections from Fast Food Nation there are many words using affixes. The affixes help the reader understand the part of speech as well as the meaning. In the article that you choose to read, **find at least ten words with a prefix or a suffix. List the word and write how it helped you understand the word.** (Try to find words with different affixes rather than choose the same one again and again).

For example-

p. 68 **Unskilled** – The prefix “un” showed that the workers did not have skills. Vs.

p. 70 **De-skilled –** The prefix “de” showed me that there was skill involved in the work and it was taken away just like when bones are taken out of a fish before eating it - “deboned.”

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