

## Spelling list: Words beginning with the prefix re-

In the English language, prefixes enable us to enrich our vocabulary and convey nuanced meanings. We do this by affixing the prefix to the start of a word.

The prefix *re-* signifies repetition, renewal, or return. It comes from Latin and means *again* or *back* . When added to a base word, it conveys the idea that something is being done again in a new way (for example, *redesign* or *recycle* ) or that something or someone is going back (for example, *revisit* or *return* ).

If you come across a new *re-* word, don't forget you can look at the base word to help you work out what it means. Use the spelling activities to familiarise yourself with the *re-* words in this list.

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| revise    | I will <b>revise</b> for my exams.  |
| replay    | The football team drew so they had to <b>replay</b> the game.                         |
| reflector | I have a <b>reflector</b> on my bike.   |
| repeat    | Do I have to <b>repeat</b> everything three times?                                    |
| rebellion | A <b>rebellion</b> is open, organized, and armed resistance to a government or ruler. |
| refresh   | <b>Refresh</b> the web page to get the latest scores.                                 |
| revenge   | Malcolm wants to take <b>revenge</b> .  |
| retrieved | The dog <b>retrieved</b> the ball.  |
| return    | It's time for us to <b>return</b> home.   |
| review    | The critic gave the show a good <b>review</b> .                                       |
| remember  | <b>Remember</b> to wash your hair with shampoo.                                       |
| reaction  | My initial <b>reaction</b> was amazement.   |
| rebound   | The striker let the ball <b>rebound</b> off the post.                                 |
| retreat   | The tiger began to <b>retreat</b> .   |
| reverse   | You will need to <b>reverse</b> your car out of the drive.                            |

recycling

We can be environmentally responsible by **recycling** our waste.