

**HOMEWORK**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Hyphens**

Hyphens ( - ) can be used to join a **prefix** to a root word, especially if the prefix ends in a vowel and the root word starts with a vowel. This is less common than it used to be and one word forms are becoming more usual (*cooperate* rather than *co-operate*).

- A **prefix** is a letter or letters added to the start of a word to make another word.
- **Prefixes** are usually added without changing the spelling of the root word.

Copy each word, then try to write it without copying. Use the final column to correct any mistakes or to test each group of words.

<i>(list 6:1)</i>	<b>Practise 1</b> <i>(copy into space)</i>	<b>Practise 2</b> <i>(fold and hide)</i>	<b>Can spell word</b> <i>(check and correct)</i>
Spelling tip:	<i>'non' means 'not'. When added as a prefix it will give the word the opposite meaning.</i>		
<i>non-stick</i>			
<i>non-slip</i>			
<i>non-drip</i>			
<i>non-stop</i>			
<i>non-fiction</i>			

Spelling tip:	<i>'ill' means 'bad' or 'badly'. It means the opposite of 'good' or 'done well'.</i>		
<i>ill-natured</i>			
<i>ill-tempered</i>			
<i>ill-timed</i>			
<i>ill-gotten</i>			
<i>ill-used</i>			

Spelling tip:	<i>The hyphen can be used to separate the vowels between prefix and the root word.</i>		
<i>re-enter</i>			
<i>re-employ</i>			
<i>pre-arrange</i>			
<i>co-own</i>			
<i>co-operate</i>			