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To Maximilian Baraka Cleary

—B.P.C.

To Carol Hinz and all the folks at Lerner
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—M.G.

Prefix:

A word part
added to the
beginning of a
word or root
to change its
meaning



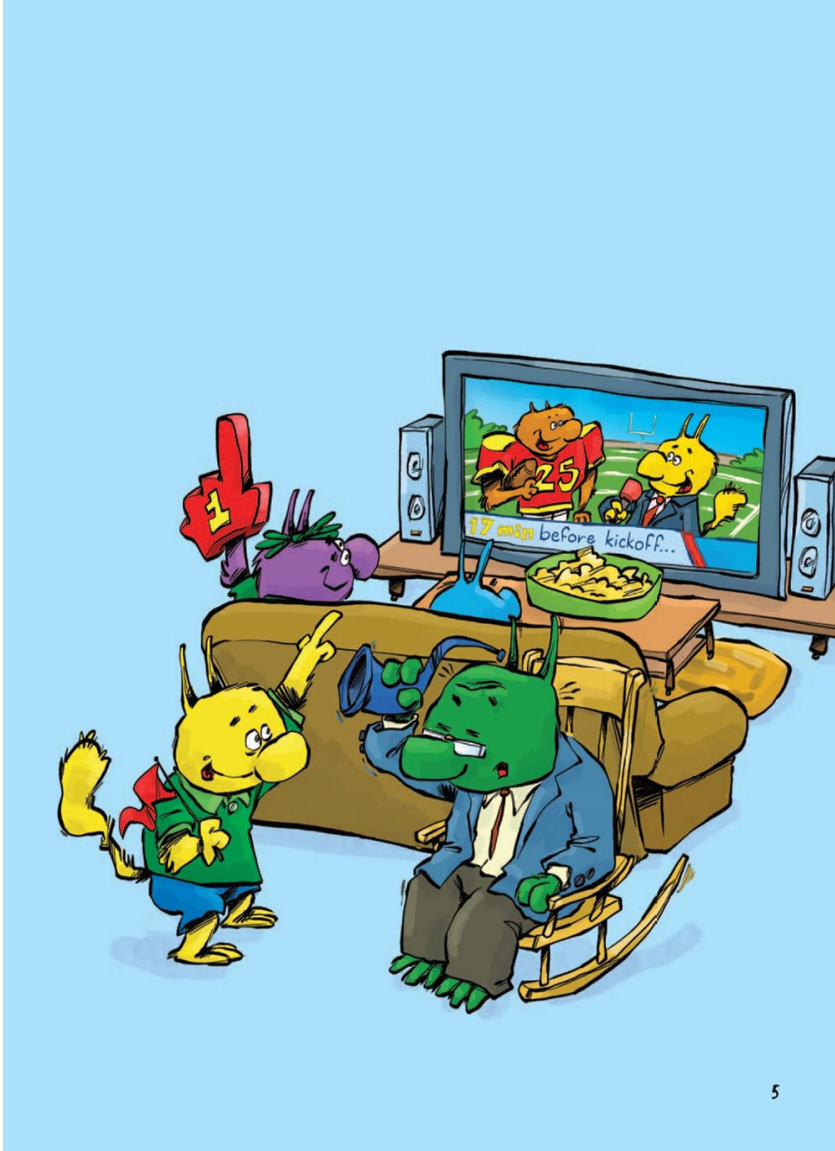
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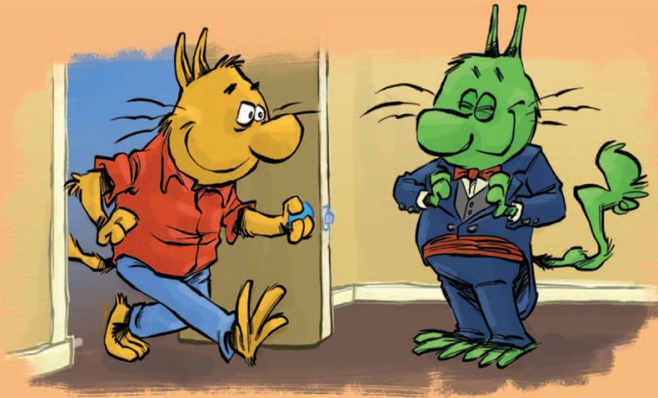
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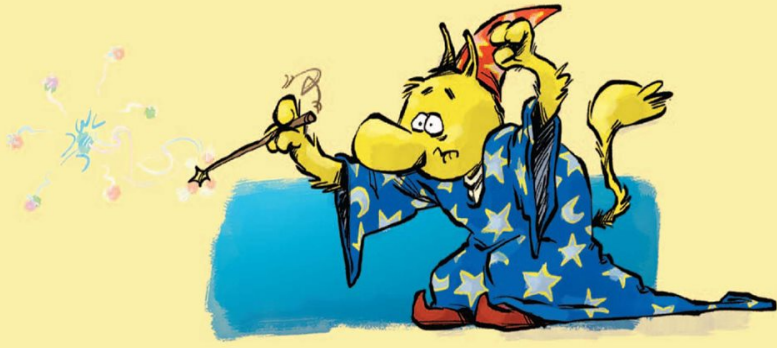












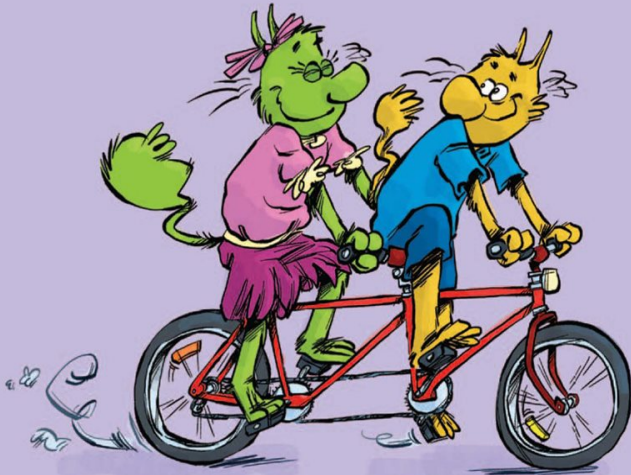
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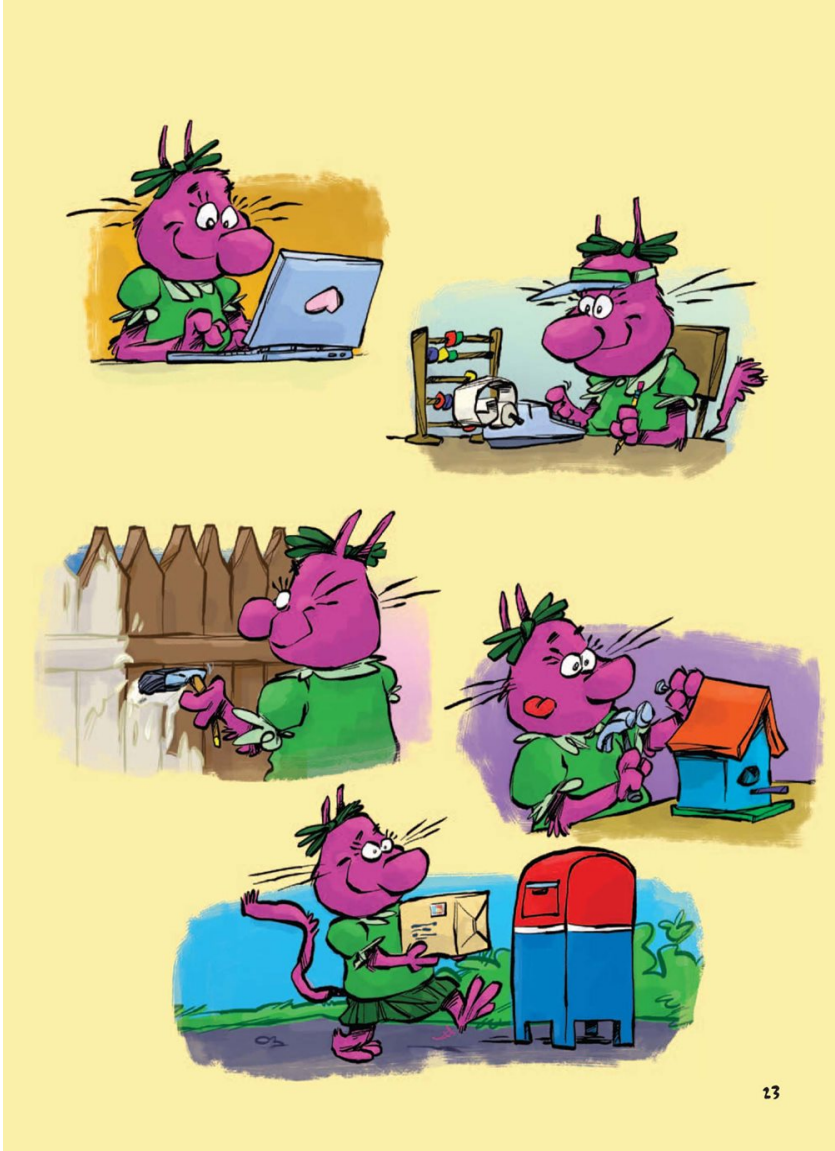












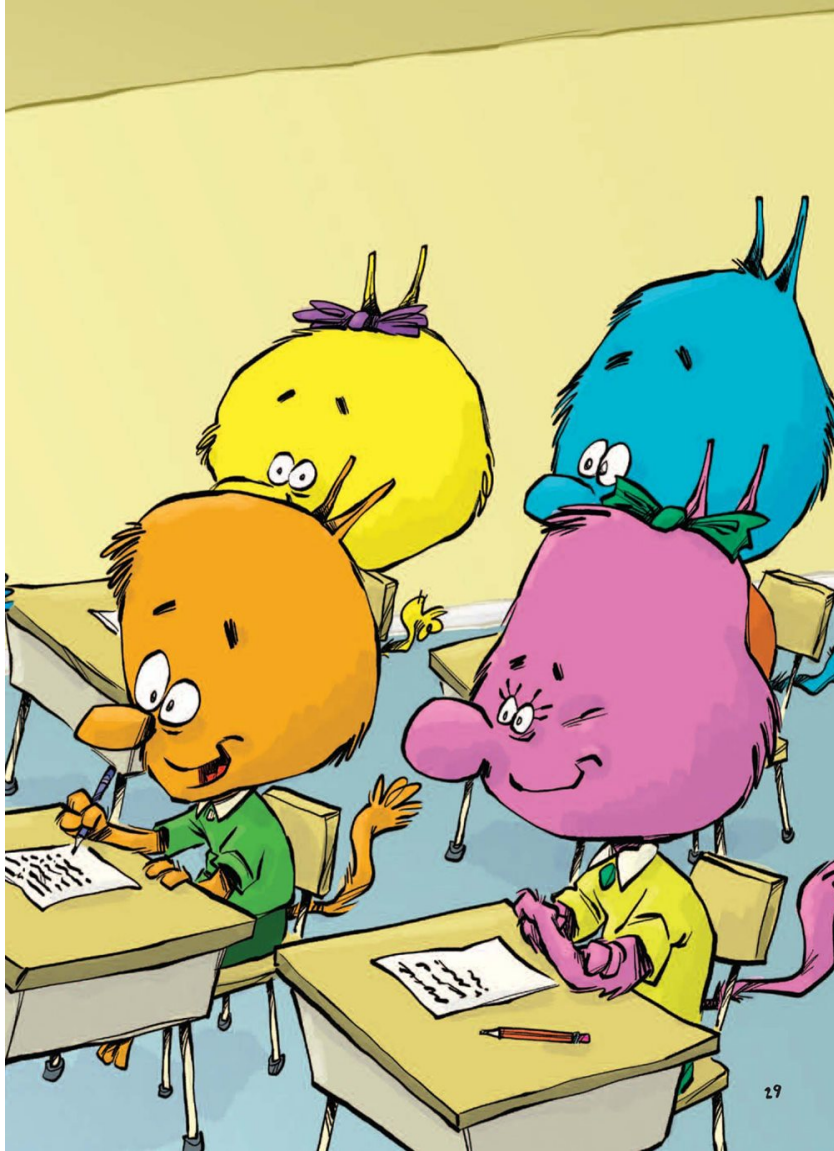












Prefixes and Meanings	
Anti-	opposite of; against
bi-	occurring two times
de-	away from; opposite of
dis-	opposite of
em-/en-	Put in or on; to cause
fore-	at the front; before
il-	opposite of (used before roots beginning with l)
im-	opposite of (used before roots beginning with b, m, or p)
in-	opposite of
inter-	between, among
mis-	wrong, bad; not
multi-	many or much
non-	not
pre-	before
Pro-	forward, going ahead
over-	over; in excess
re-	to do again
semi-	half; partly

antisocial
 biannual
 depart, e
 dislike
 empowe
 forehead
 illegal
 impolite
 inexpens
 internat
 misbehav
 multime
 nonstop
 preview
 proactiv
 overnigh
 rewrite
 semicircl

sub- under, less than
trans- across
un- not; opposite of
under- under; too little

subway, :
transport
unhappy;
undersea





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