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**Linguistics /L1**

**Morphology Exercises**

**Exercise1**

Divide the following words into the smallest meaningful units and describe how the words are formed, i.e. describe the morphological processes (derivation, inflection) involved.

Example: unhappiness The root is "happy". By adding the prefix "un–" to the root "happy" we derive "unhappy". The morphological process involved is called derivation. By adding the suffix "–ness" to "unhappy" we derive the word "unhappiness". The morphological process involved is called derivation.

**Now do the same for the following words**

1. kingdoms b. discourages c. forgetful d. submitted

**Exercise 2**

The following words are compounds which also include derivational affixes. Analyze the words, identifying the roots and their parts of speech, as well all the affixes and their function as nominalizer, verbalizer, adjectivalizer, or adverbializer.

*Example:* housekeeper

house (root - noun) + keep (root - verb) + -er (nominalizer)

a.

flightworthiness

b.

chatterbox

c.

owner-occupied

d.

freedom-loving

e.

handicraft

f.

broken-hearted

g.

safety-tested

h.

worldly-wise

i.

antiaircraft

j.

machine-readable

k.

chartered accountant

**Exercise 3**

List the Types of morphemes in each word below

1. creating 6. unhealthy 2. seaward 7. waiter 3. wastage 8. reconsider 4. poetic 9. keys 5. modernize 10. incompletion