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Prefix Origins 'dis-' (not, opposite)

Adding the prefix "dis" to a word can apply the "opposite" meaning. In classical Latin "de" and "dis" could be added as a prefix to change a word to the opposite meaning. However, when words passed into Old French, "dis" became "des". Over time words were changed back to "dis" in English and in French changed to "de". So today we have two prefixes that mean "not": "de" and "dis"

Word	Word Origin	Current Word Meaning
_ _ _ agree	Late 15thC from Old French: "desagreer" refuse to assent (des "not" + agreer "harmony of opinions")	
_ _ _ regard	1640's from Old French: "regarder" to take notice of. (dis "not" + regard "take notice of")	
_ _ _ lodge	1400's from Old French: "deslogier" to expel from lodging place (dis "not" + logier "dwelling")	
_ _ _ arm	Late 14thC from Old French: "desarmer" to divest of arms (dis "not" + armer "take up weapons")	
_ _ _ close	Late 14thC. from Old French: "desclos" open, exposed (de "not" + clore "to close")	

Write sentences using the above words that begin with the prefix 'dis':

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How many words can you make using the letters in:

DISAGREEMENT