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Prefix Origins 'dis-' (lack of)



Adding the prefix "dis" to a word can apply the meaning "lack of" or "without". Many English words have formed from Latin but also from languages that were spoken in nearby countries. For example, Old Norse and Old French words infiltrated the language when the Vikings and Normans invaded Britain in medieval times.

Word	Word Origin	Current Word Meaning
___ belief	1670's Old English/West Germanic: "beleave"/"geleafa" belief, faith (dis "without" + beleave "faith")	
___ grace	1550s Middle French/Italian: "disgracier"/"disgraziare" misfortune (dis "without" + grazia "grace")	
___ trust	1510's from Old Norse (Vikings): "traust" to help, confidence (dis "without" + traust "trust")	
___ array	Early 15thC. from Old French: "desareer" disorder, confusion (dis "lack of" + array "to put in order")	
___ comfort	14thC. from Old French: "desconforter" to deprive of courage (dis "without" + conforter "comfort")	

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

How many words can you make using the letters in:

DISGRACEFUL