



Oxford City Schools

# Proficiency Scale

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**GRADE LEVEL: 3rd grade COURSE NAME: ELA**  
**MEASUREMENT TOPIC: Determine Meaning of Unknown Words Using Word Parts**

<b>4</b>	In addition to Score 3, the student makes in-depth inferences and applications.
<b>3</b>	<b>The student can:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Identify common Latin and Greek roots and use them to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words (Examples: aqua, cent, port, ject, spect, dict, tend, fer)</li><li>• Identify derivational prefixes and suffixes and use them as clues to a word's meaning (Examples: pre, re, mis, ly, less, ful, able, ment)</li><li>• Sort words with shared and varied suffixes by parts of speech</li></ul>
<b>2</b>	<b>The student can:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use meaningful parts of words as clues to the meaning of unfamiliar words</li><li>• Identify meaningful parts of words including base words and inflections</li></ul>
<b>1</b>	With help, a partial understanding of some of the simpler details and processes and some of the more complex ideas and processes.

**Key Vocabulary: base words, roots, affixes, tense, prefixes, suffixes, Latin and Greek roots**