A **prefix** is a word part that is added to the beginning of a base word to form a new word. Below are some prefixes and their meanings.

im-, in- = not; without

**non-** = not; lack of; the opposite of

**un-** = not; the opposite of

mis- = bad or wrong; badly; wrongly; lack of

- **A.** Read each numbered word. Then circle the letter next to the meaning of the word.
- 1. unharmed
  - a. harmed badly
  - b. not harmed
  - c. harmed again
- 3. misunderstand
  - a. able to understand
  - b. understand again
  - c. understand wrongly
- 5. inactivity
  - a. bad activity
  - b. full of activity
  - c. without activity

- 2. impractical
  - a. not practical
  - b. without practice
  - c. too practical
- 4. nonviolent
  - a. full of violence
  - b. not violent
  - c. in a violent manner
- 6. uncooked
  - a. the opposite of cooked
  - b. cooked badly
  - c. cooked too long
- **B.** Add a prefix from the box above to each word to make a new word that means the same as the phrase on the right. Write the new word on the line.
- 1. correct

not correct

2. trust

lack of trust

3. afraid

not afraid

4. personal

not personal

5. believer

the opposite of a believer

6. judge

judge wrongly

7. fasten

the opposite of fasten