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Prefix Origins 'dis-'



Adding the prefix "di-" or "dis" to a word can apply the meaning "apart" or "away". Words containing this prefix often have their origins in Latin but the prefix has been applied to words of other origins.

Word	Word Origin	Current Word Meaning
— — — <i>solve</i>	Late 14thC. from Latin: "dissolvere" to break up (dis "apart" + solvere "to loosen")	
— — <i>vide</i>	Early 14thC. from Latin: "dividere" to force apart, distribute (dis "apart" + videre "to separate")	
— — — <i>criminate</i>	1620's from Latin: "discriminare", "discernere" to separate (dis "apart" + cernere "distinguish")	
— — — <i>tract</i>	Mid 14thC. from Latin: "distractus", "distrahere" draw in different directions (dis "apart" + trahere "to draw")	
— — — <i>card</i>	1590's from Middle French: "carte" to throw a card away (dis "away" + carte "card")	

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

How many words can you make using the letters in:

DISCRIMINATION