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Quiz:

Prefixes 2



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For each of the six questions choose the correct answer.

1. He's so If you say one tiny negative thing about his work, he won't speak to you for ages.
 - a. hypersensitive
 - b. hyperhurt
 - c. hyperactive
 - d. ultra-trendy

2. His kitchen is It has all the latest gadgets. It looks like a spaceship, it's so up-to-date!
 - a. ultra-modernity
 - b. bi-modern
 - c. ultra-modern
 - d. quadramod

3. We need someone who is ... to talk to our clients overseas.
 - a. ultralingual
 - b. bilanguages
 - c. bisexual
 - d. bilingual

4. The university was founded in 1807 so we'll be celebrating its ... this year.
 - a. hyperyears
 - b. bicentenary
 - c. quadruple 50 years
 - d. centenary

5. Her running and cycling are very good but she has to work more on her swimming if she's going to win a medal in the
 - a. ultrathon
 - b. tricolour
 - c. marathon
 - d. triathlon

6. She gave birth to I hope she won't find it too difficult to bring up those four boys!
 - a. triplets
 - b. quadrangles
 - c. ultrababies
 - d. quadruplets

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Answers

1. He's so If you say one tiny negative thing about his work, he won't speak to you for ages.
 - a. **hypersensitive – Correct – This means he gets upset too easily by things people say to him.**
 - b. hyperhurt – Wrong – This word doesn't exist in English.
 - c. hyperactive – Wrong – This means he runs around and has too much energy – like a child who has eaten too many sweets. You need a word that means 'too easily upset by things people say or do'.
 - d. ultra-trendy – Wrong – This means very fashionable. You need a word that means 'too easily upset by things people say or do'.

2. His kitchen is It has all the latest gadgets. It looks like a spaceship, it's so up-to-date!
 - a. ultra-modernity – Wrong – The second part of this word needs to be a noun, not an adjective.
 - b. bi-modern – Wrong – This word doesn't exist in English.
 - c. **ultra-modern – Correct – This means his kitchen is very fashionable and up-to-date.**
 - d. quadramod – Wrong – This word doesn't exist in English.

3. We need someone who is ... to talk to our clients overseas.
 - a. ultralingual – Wrong – This word doesn't exist in English.
 - b. bilanguages – Wrong – This word doesn't exist in English.
 - c. bisexual – Wrong – This describes a person who is attracted to both men and women. You need a word that describes a person who can speak two languages.
 - d. **bilingual – Correct – This describes a person who can speak two languages.**

4. The university was founded in 1807 so we'll be celebrating its ... this year.
 - a. hyperyears – Wrong – This word doesn't exist in English.
 - b. **bicentenary – Correct – This means that the university is now 200 years old.**
 - c. quadruple 50 years – Wrong – This phrase doesn't exist in English.
 - d. centenary – Wrong – This word means the university is 100 years old. You need a word that means '200 years old'.

5. Her running and cycling are very good but she has to work more on her swimming if she's going to win a medal in the
 - a. ultrathon – Wrong – This word doesn't exist in English.
 - b. tricolour – Wrong – This is a flag with three colours. You need a word for a sports competition made up of three events.
 - c. marathon – Wrong – This is a 42 kilometre race. You need a word that describes a race which has 3 sporting elements – running, cycling and swimming.
 - d. **triathlon – Correct – This describes a race which has 3 sporting elements – running, cycling and swimming.**

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6. She gave birth to I hope she won't find it too difficult to bring up those four boys!
- a. triplets – Wrong – This describes three babies born to the same mother at the same time. You need a word for four babes born at the same time to the same mother.
 - b. quadrangles – Wrong – These are shapes. You need a word that means four babies born to the same mother at the same time.
 - c. ultrababies – Wrong – This word doesn't exist in English.
 - d. quadruplets – Correct – This means** four babies born to the same mother at the same time.

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