



Part B: Combine and Create

Solving Riddles

Directions: Answer the riddles with *pos* words.

1. I am a verb. I mean “to make up, to put together, or to create.” I have two syllables and one prefix. _____
2. I mean “to rot or decay.” I have two prefixes. I have three syllables. _____
3. I am a verb. I could mean “to put money into a bank.” I have three syllables.

4. I am a noun. I am the person who does #1 above. I have three syllables.

5. I am also a noun. I am the thing that results from #1 above. I could also mean the parts that make up something. I have four syllables. _____
6. I am a verb. I mean “to be against or resist.” I have two syllables.

7. I am a noun. I am the person or team who plays against another.
I have four syllables. _____

The first *postal* service in the world was created by the ancient Persian King Xerxes in the fifth century BC. His Middle-East empire was so vast that he had over 2.5 million men in his army and navy. In order to carry written messages from one end of his empire to the other, Xerxes established a band of horsemen called *couriers*. Their job was to run (*cour* = run) and ride as quickly as they could to deliver the mail. In 430 BC, the Greek historian Herodotus described these amazing messengers: “Neither snow, nor rain, nor heat, nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds.” This passage has been adopted as the official motto of the United States *postal* service. Even in heavy snow and scorching heat, postal employees make every effort to deliver the mail *posthaste*.

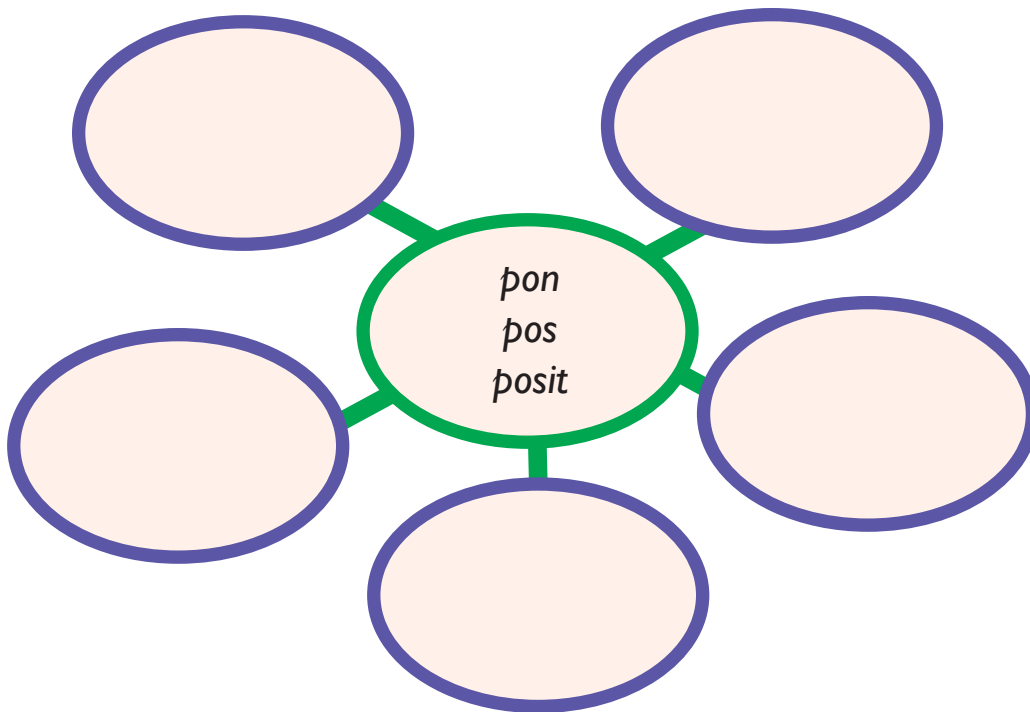
**DID
YOU
KNOW?**



Part E:
Go for the Gold!

Word Spokes

Directions: Fill in the cluster with five *pon, pos, posit* words. Choose a different *pon, pos, or posit* word from your cluster for each of the directions below.



1. Pick one of the words and write **two synonyms**. _____
2. Pick one of the words and write **two antonyms**. _____
3. Pick one of the words and **write your own definition**. _____

4. Pick one of the words and **use it in a sentence**. _____
