

# ASSIMILATION

The process where one sound becomes more similar to a neighbouring sound to facilitate pronunciation.

**in-**

illegal (in + legal), immature (in + mature),  
irregular (in + regular), impossible (in + possible)

**ad-**

accuse (ad + cuse), affect (ad + fect), aggravate (ad +  
gravate), announce (ad + nounce)

**sub-**

succeed (sub + ceed), suffice (sub + fice),  
suppress (sub + press), support (sub + port)

**ob-**

occur (ob + cur), offend (ob + fend),  
oppose (ob + pose)

**com-**

collaborate (com + laborate), correct (com + rect),  
collide (com + lide), correspond (com + respond)

**syn-**

syllable (syn + lable), symmetry (syn + metry)

**dis-**

diffuse (dis + fuse), differ (dis + fer)