

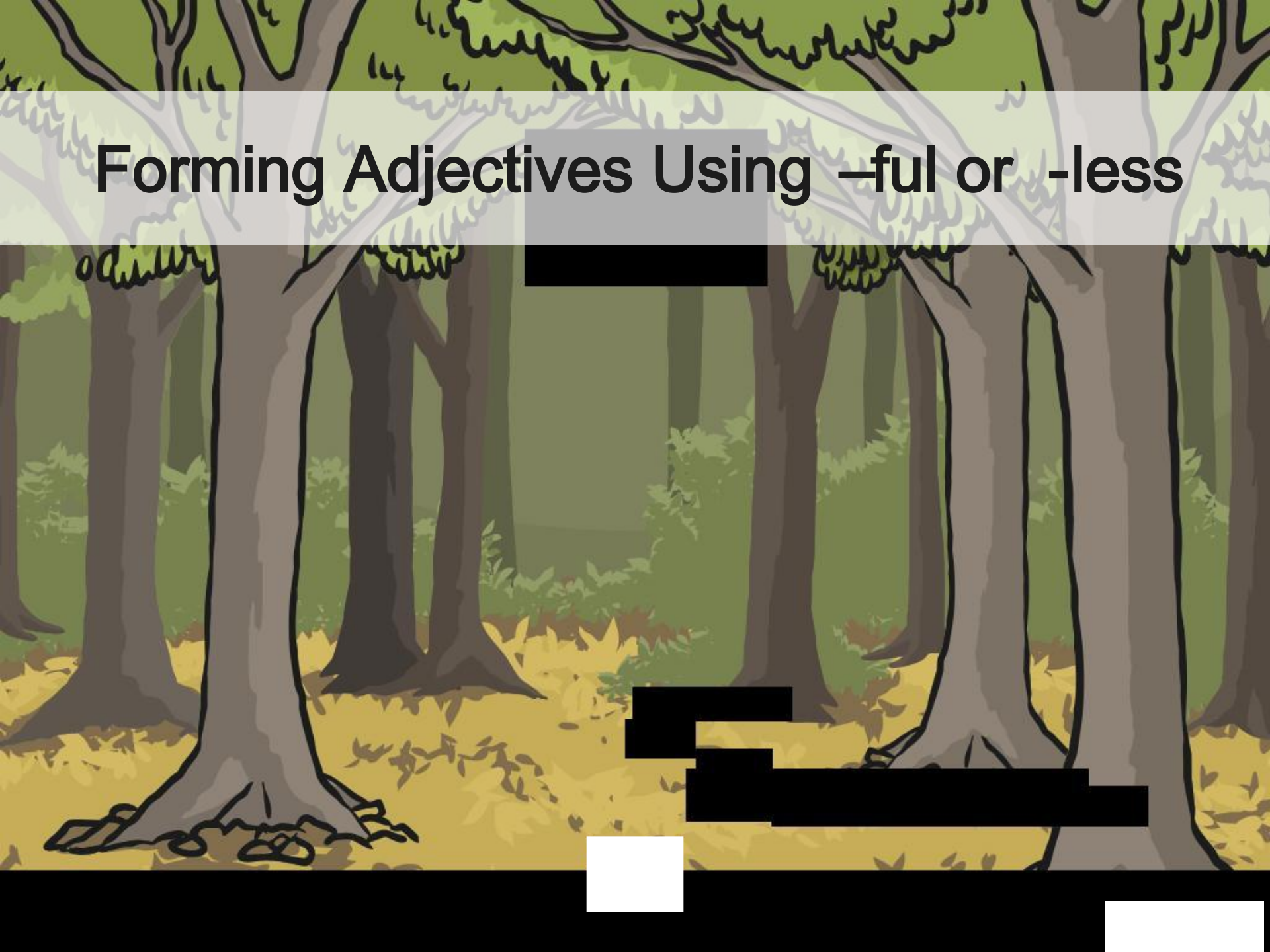


Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

Forming Adjectives Using -ful or -less



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- I can form adjectives using the suffixes -ful and -less.

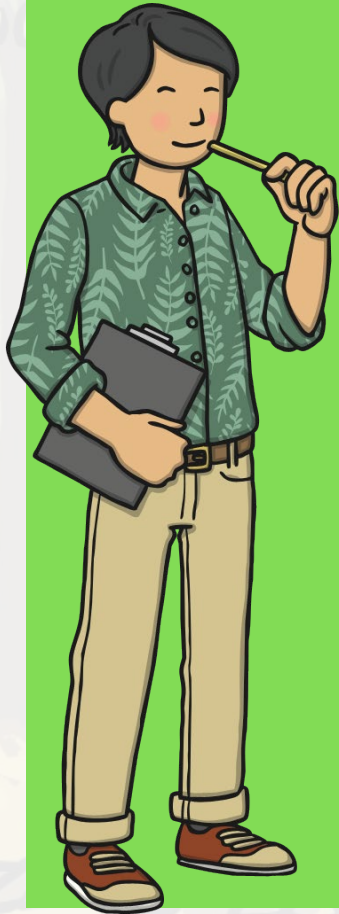
Success Criteria

- I can add the suffixes -ful and -less to words to make adjectives.
- I can add the suffixes -ful and -less to words ending in y.
- I can use adjectives ending in -ful and -less in sentences.



Introductory Activity

What is a suffix?



A suffix is a group of letters we add to the end of a word to change its meaning.

There are lots of different suffixes. Today we are going to look more carefully at the suffixes:

-ful
and
-less

Suffixes –ful and -less

Look at these words:

use

help

These words can be used as a verb or a noun.
When we add one of our suffixes, the word becomes an adjective.

They could not **use** the broken car.

verb

He couldn't **help** the injured bird.

verb

The broken car was **useless**.

adjective

He felt **helpless**.

adjective

Suffixes –ful and -less

The suffix -ful often means 'being full of' or having lots of. For example, **useful** means being full of use or having lots of use.



When we use the suffix -ful on the end of words we only write one letter l.

The suffix -less is often the opposite of -ful and means having none. So **useless** means having no use.



Suffixes –ful and -less



In your pairs, look at the following sentences and work out which word fits best. Write your answer on your whiteboard.

1. The girl broke her toy train. She was careless. (careful / careless)
2. The boy helped his mum to wash the dishes.
He was helpful. (helpful / helpless)
3. I cooked my mum breakfast when she was ill.
She said I was very thoughtful. (thoughtful / thoughtless)
4. The injection I had didn't hurt. It was painless. (painful / painless)

An illustration of a forest scene. In the foreground, there are several large, grey-brown tree trunks with thick, gnarled roots. The ground is covered in yellow and brown leaves, suggesting an autumn setting. In the background, more trees are visible, their foliage rendered in shades of green and yellow. A semi-transparent grey horizontal band runs across the middle of the image, containing the text "Independent Focused Activity".

Independent Focused Activity

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Adding -ful or -less

When we add the suffixes -ful and -less, we usually just add them to the end of the root word.

care → careful

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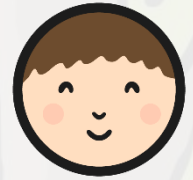
mind → mindless

When the root word ends in y, we usually change the y to an i before adding the suffix.

beauty → beauti**i**ful

plenty → plent**i**ful

Adding -ful or -less Activity Sheet.



Look at each word carefully.
Can you add the suffixes -ful
or -less to change them into
adjectives?



Adding -ful or -less

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1. Add **-ful** to these words to make an adjective.

Adjective
help
thought
force
mercy

2. Add **-less** to these words to make an adjective.

Adjective
care
thought
pain
penny

3. Choose the correct adjective to complete the sentences.

- The injection was _____
(painful / painless)
- My mum always thinks about other people _____
- I helped dad to wash the car. He said I was _____

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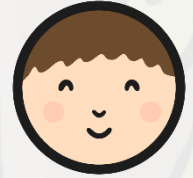
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Review Activity

Spot the Suffix



When we add the suffixes **-ful** or **-less**, we can usually just add the suffix to the end of the root word.

When the word ends in **y**, we change the **y** to an **i** then add **-ful** or **-less**.

Using the Adding **-ful** or **-ness** Word Search, add the correct suffix to each word, then find the new adjective within the word search.

Adding **-ful** or **-less** Word Search

I can add the suffixes **-ful** and **-less** to words
I can add the suffixes **-ful** and **-less** to words ending in **y**

Change the words below into adjectives by adding the suffixes **-ful** or **-ness**. Then find the adjectives in the word search. Be careful... some of the words in the word search are not spelt correctly!

Add either **-ful** or **-less** to each of these words. Both suffixes can be used with some words.

age - _____ care - _____ use - _____ thought - _____ cheer - _____

care - _____ hair - _____ use - _____ thought - _____ forget - _____

a	g	e	l	e	s	s	o	m	t	c	t
i	c	h	e	e	r	f	u	l	s	a	h
u	f	o	r	g	e	t	f	u	l	r	o
s	n	u	s	f	u	l	l	c	p	e	u
e	c	s	n	c	a	r	e	f	u	l	g
f	u	l	g	d	s	k	p	a	x	e	h
u	y	e	a	g	l	e	s	s	j	s	t
l	n	s	f	u	s	e	l	e	s	s	l
o	b	s	r	h	d	s	t	v	w	z	e
f	o	r	g	e	t	f	u	l	l	q	s
g	t	h	o	u	g	h	t	f	u	l	s
h	a	i	r	l	e	s	s	j	w	g	d

An illustration of a forest scene. In the foreground, a path of yellow leaves leads through several tall, grey-barked trees. The trees have green foliage at the top. The background shows more trees and a soft, hazy light. A semi-transparent grey horizontal band is overlaid across the middle of the image, containing the text.

Consolidation Activity

What's the Adjective?



Someone has removed all of the adjectives ending with the suffixes -ful and -less from the sentences.

Read each sentence and decide if the missing word ends in -ful or -less. Write the missing word in the space.



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Each sentences

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Each of the sets of sentences below has an adjective missing. Choose the correct adjective from the box below and write it in the space.

1. Vilne didn't _____

2. Balbir helps _____

3. Isaac wasn't _____

4. Dad whistled a happy tune. He was _____

5. Mum thanked me for my help. She was _____

6. Dave always forgets his homework. He is very _____

7. Granddad has shaved his beard off. He is _____

8. Zuhera had a new dress. She thought it was _____

9. Jayden ripped his book because he wasn't taking care of it. He was _____

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tasteless helpful thankful

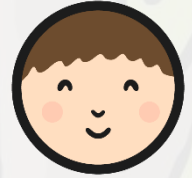
forgetful cheerful beardless

fearless beautiful careless



Assessment

Forming Adjectives Using -ful or -less



Use all of the information you have learnt and practised about forming adjectives using -ful and -less and work on your own to complete the Mini Test.

Name:

Date:

Forming Adjectives Using -ful or -less Mini Test

1. Change the following words into adjectives using the suffix -ful:

a) cheer →

b) success →

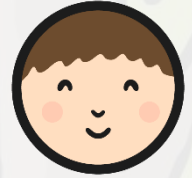
c) beauty →

d) duty →

12
total marks

4 marks

Application Activity



Use all of the information you have learnt and practised about forming adjectives using -ful and -less and work on your own to complete the Application Activity Sheet.

Forming Adjectives Using -ful or -less

I can use adjectives ending in -ful and -less in sentences

Use the adjectives below to write your own sentences.

helpless

Aim



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