

# Spelling Bee's Dictation

**Adding suffixes beginning with a vowel (er/ed/ing) to words with more than one syllable (unstressed last syllable – DO NOT double the final consonant).**

Use this booklet to see your progress as you practise the target spellings.

**Parent Note:** Please use the following spelling dictation to help your child spell words with the suffixes 'er', 'ed' and 'ing' to words with more than one syllable. For the words in this dictation, children need to ensure that they DO NOT double up the final consonant. Complete the first dictation before practising any of the target spelling words from the spelling list and write down the score. Then, after practising the target words, complete the second dictation. You should then see progress between the first and second dictation. Only complete the second dictation when you feel your child has practised the spellings enough – usually a week.

**For ideas on practising spellings, see the [Spelling Support for Parents: Games to Play at Home Guide](#).**

## Worksheet

Read the following passage to your child, repeating the target word two times. Allow your child time to complete the gaps in the dictation with the spelling word.

One spring day, George the **gardener** was in his garden **focused** on plotting new flowers ready for the summer. He had been **gardening** all day long. He really enjoyed being in the garden as it was **benefiting** both his health and wellbeing. Next, he began to trim a large tree at the front of the garden which was **limiting** the amount of sunlight that reached the flowers below. Once trimmed, it gave the flowers chance to bloom in the warm sunshine, **offering** their beautiful scent to the garden. All the plants **benefited** from lots of sunshine in his garden because it was south facing. While **focusing** on cutting the branches, he didn't notice his wife, Edna, enter the garden. She **offered** to help George complete his work in the garden because she knew he was **limited** for time. It was getting late and would be dark soon.

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## Dictation 1

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Score out of 10:

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