When a word ends with a short vowel sound and a single consonant, double the consonant.



When a word ends in 'e', drop the 'e' if the suffix begins with a vowel.



When a word ends in 'e', keep the 'e' if the suffix begins with a consonant.

taste = tasteless

love = lovely

hope = hopeful



When a word ends in 'ce' or 'ge', keep the 'e' if the suffix begins with 'a' or 'o'.

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courage = courageous
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knowledge = knowledgeable

change = changeable



When a word ends with 'y', change it to 'i', except if the suffix is 'ing'.

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messy = messily
beauty = beautiful
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happy = happily



When a word ends with a **vowel** before the 'y', keep the 'y'.

Exceptions

