

# Prefixes Worksheet

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Prefixes go at the beginning of words.

This changes the meaning of the word.

prefix	meaning	example	other examples?
re	to do again	<u>r</u> eturn	
bi	two	<u>b</u> icycle	
dis	not	<u>d</u> islike	
mis	wrong	<u>m</u> isbehave	
pre	before	<u>p</u> rehistoric	
over	too much	<u>o</u> vercook	
un	not	<u>u</u> nhappy	

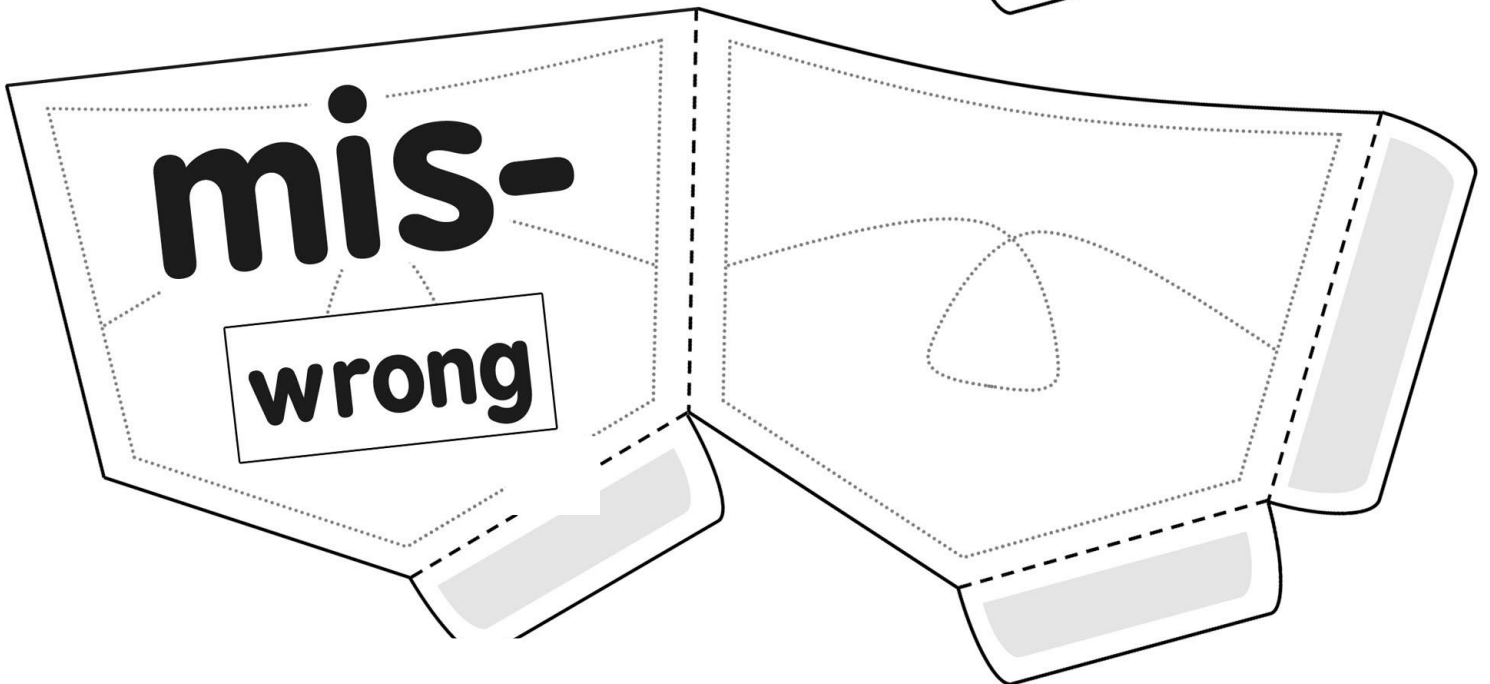
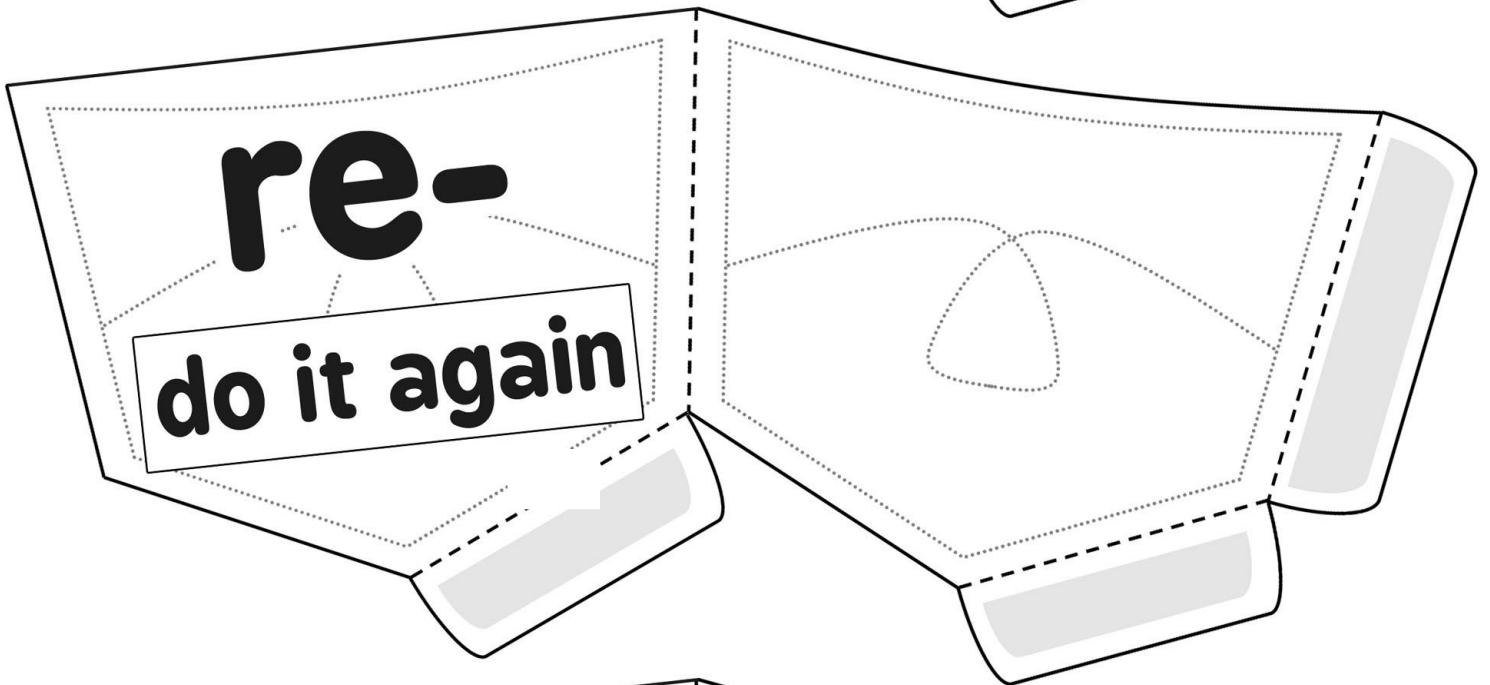
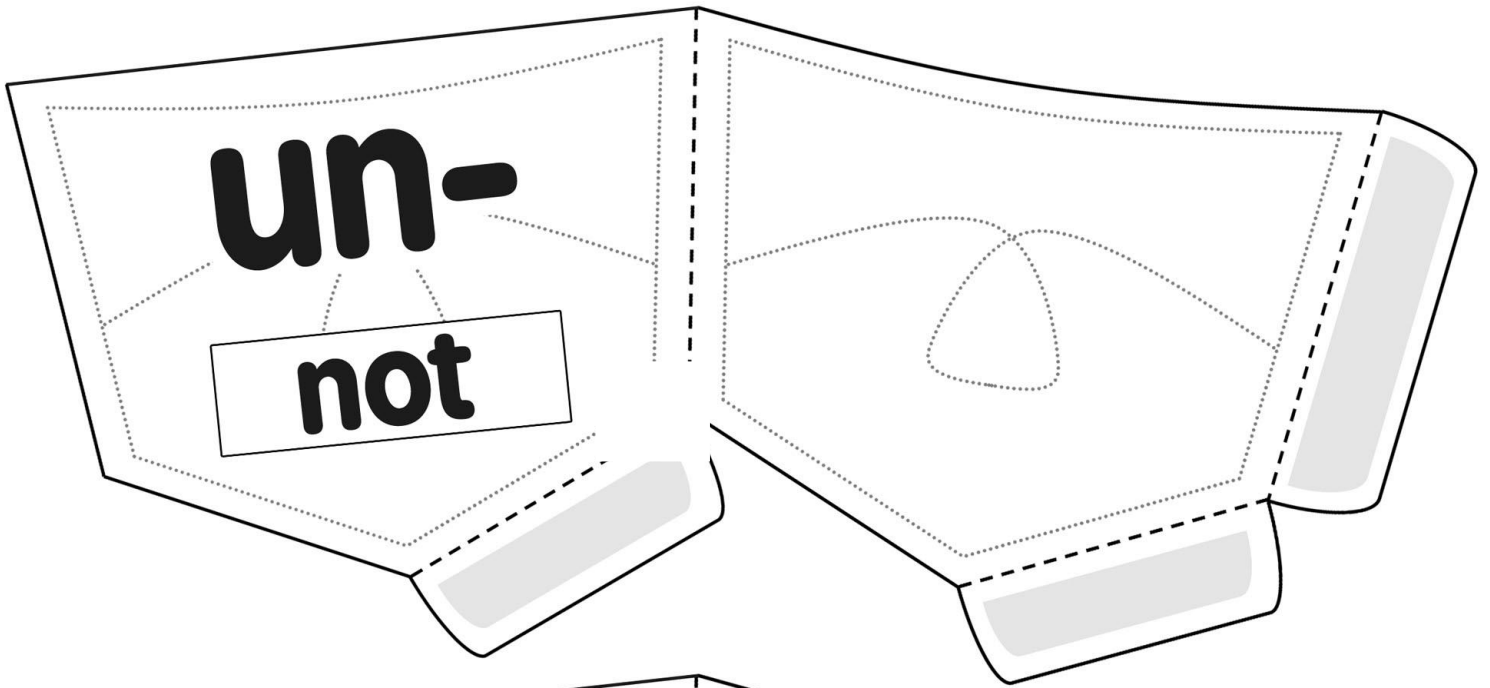
# Suffixes Worksheet

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Suffixes go at the end of words.

This changes the meaning of the word.

suffix	meaning	example	other examples?
ful	full of	joy <u>ful</u>	
est	most	tall <u>est</u>	
ing	doing now	cycl <u>ing</u>	
less	without	fear <u>less</u>	
ly	how something was done	quick <u>ly</u>	
er	more (adj)	tall <u>er</u>	
er	someone's job	teach <u>er</u>	



**unhappy**

**unzip**

**untie**

**untangle**

**unlock**

**unstable**

**revisit**

**remake**

**restart**

**rebuild**

**remix**

**retake**

**mistake**

**misunderstand**

**misbehave**

**misadventure**

**misguide**

**misheard**

# Adding 'er', 'ed' And 'ing' Spelling Activity

1. Fill in the missing words.

Yesterday I \_\_\_\_\_ football with my friends.

I am \_\_\_\_\_ hard at school today.

Jacob is \_\_\_\_\_ next to Marcus at the table.

Last week I \_\_\_\_\_ on a project with my sister.

My Dad was the best \_\_\_\_\_ at the disco.

We were short of one netball \_\_\_\_\_ for our team.

Last night I \_\_\_\_\_ to a great song.

Holly and James are \_\_\_\_\_ in the pool with Mum.

\_\_\_\_\_ is my favourite hobby.

My brother is a very hard \_\_\_\_\_ at school.

dancer

danced

dancing

player

played

playing

worker

worked

working

sitting

2. Can you complete these calculations?

work + ed = \_\_\_\_\_ work + ing = \_\_\_\_\_ work + er = \_\_\_\_\_

play + ing = \_\_\_\_\_ play + er = \_\_\_\_\_ play + ed = \_\_\_\_\_

...but what happens here?

dance + er = \_\_\_\_\_ dance + ed = \_\_\_\_\_ dance + ing = \_\_\_\_\_



# Find Your Partner Word Cards -ed



lick

hunted

look

licked

stay

looked

work

stayed

yell

worked

ask

yelled

hunt

asked

push



# Find Your Partner Word Cards -ed



pushed

need

filled

start

needed

play

started

reach

played

mix

reached

pull

mixed

fill

pulled



# Find Your Partner Word Cards -ing



see

flying

reach

seeing

meet

reaching

go

meeting

played

going

cook

playing

fly

cooking

help





# Find Your Partner Word Cards -ing



helping

cry

helping

eat

crying

work

eating

sing

working

buzz

singing

read

buzzing

help

reading

# Prefix matching cards

mis	behave
-----	--------

non	fiction
-----	---------

ex	claim
----	-------

ex	port
----	------

anti	dote
------	------

ex	press
----	-------

mis	calculate
-----	-----------

co	writer
----	--------

# Prefix matching cards

anti	clockwise
------	-----------

re	count
----	-------

mis	place
-----	-------

mis	fortune
-----	---------

co	incidence
----	-----------

un	fortunate
----	-----------

anti	biotic
------	--------

un	informed
----	----------

# Prefix matching cards

be	witch
un	decided
sub	marine
un	comfortable

re	written
pre	caution
pre	packed
un	hurt

# Prefix matching cards

pre	cooked
-----	--------

un	known
----	-------

in	correct
----	---------

un	happy
----	-------

non	sense
-----	-------

re	define
----	--------

ex	terminate
----	-----------

de	rail
----	------

# Prefix matching cards

un	controlled
----	------------

de	louse
----	-------

re	apply
----	-------

pre	paid
-----	------

non	believer
-----	----------

be	come
----	------

de	activate
----	----------

dis	honest
-----	--------

# Prefixes

dis

opposite  
of

again

re

un

not

A prefix is added to the beginning of a word to make a new word.

# Suffixes

full of

ful

less

without

A suffix is added to the end of a word to make a new word.



PREFIXES

pre-

before

e.g. preschool



PREFIXES

over-

too much,  
excessive

e.g. overexcited



PREFIXES

re-

again

e.g. replay



PREFIXES

mis-

wrong

e.g. mistake

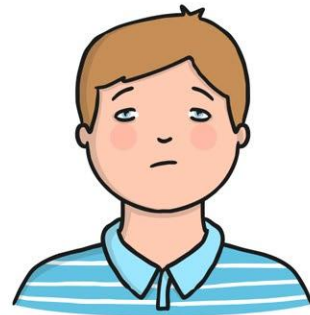
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PREFIXES

# dis-

not, no

e.g. dislike



PREFIXES

# un-

not

e.g. unhappy

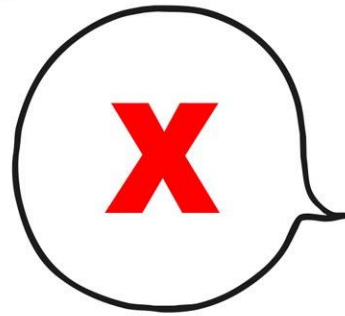


PREFIXES

# non-

e.g. nonverbal

no/ not



PREFIXES

# bi-

e.g. bicycle

two

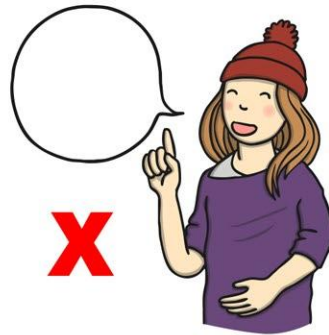


PREFIXES

# ex-

e.g. excommunication

out of



PREFIXES

# com-

e.g. composition

with/  
together



PREFIXES

in-

e.g. incorrect

no/ not/  
non

**X**

PREFIXES

im-

e.g. impolite

no/ not/  
non



PREFIXES

# con-

with/  
together

e.g. conform



PREFIXES

# pro-

in support of/  
acting for

e.g. pronoun

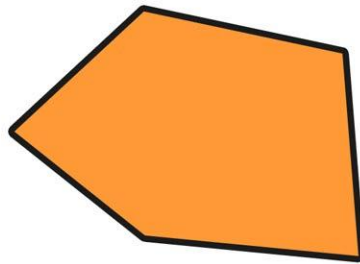
it    me    she  
          he

PREFIXES

ir-

not

e.g. irregular

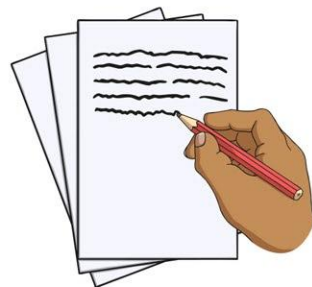


PREFIXES

il-

not

e.g. illegible



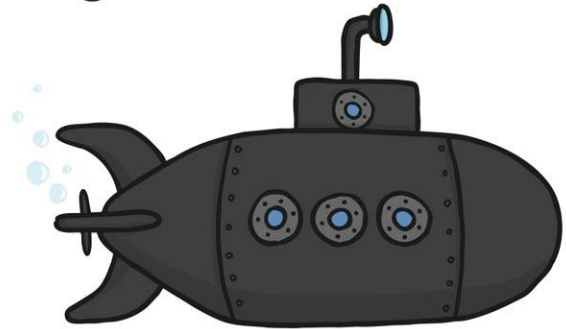


PREFIXES

# sub-

below  
or under

e.g. submarine



SUFFIXES

# -ment

the  
action of

e.g. movement



SUFFIXES

# -able

can be,  
able to be

e.g. adorable



SUFFIXES

# -ion

e.g. concentration

the  
result of



SUFFIXES

# -ly

e.g. lovely

tells how  
something is  
done



SUFFIXES

# -less

e.g. flawless

without



SUFFIXES

# -ful

e.g. painful

filled with



SUFFIXES

# -ed

past tense

e.g. jumped



SUFFIXES

# -ing

present tense

e.g. jumping



SUFFIXES

-s & -es

e.g. flowers

plural

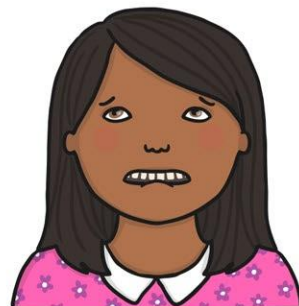


SUFFIXES

-ous

e.g. nervous

full of

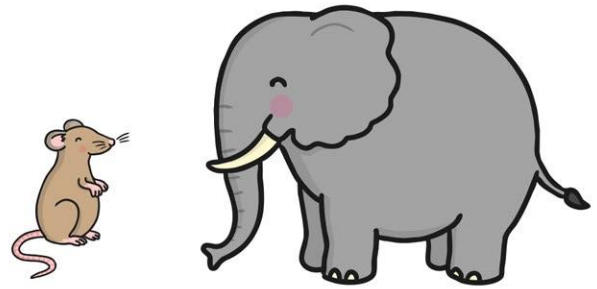


SUFFIXES

# -er

comparative  
"more than"

e.g. bigger

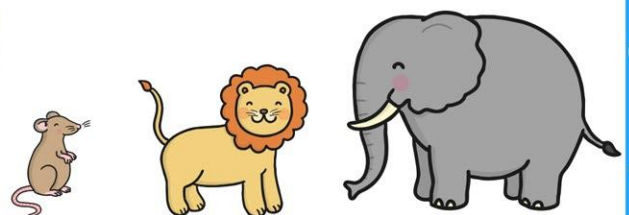


SUFFIXES

# -est

comparative  
"the most"

e.g. biggest



SUFFIXES

# -ness

the state  
or condition of  
something

e.g. sadness



SUFFIXES

# -ist

involved in an  
activity or field

e.g. cyclist





SUFFIXES

-ic

further  
describes a  
certain trait

e.g. magnetic



SUFFIXES

-en

“to become”  
or “made of”

e.g. woollen



## Prefixes

# mis means: wrong

spell = **misspell**

treat = **mistreat**

read = **misread**

Can you think of any more?



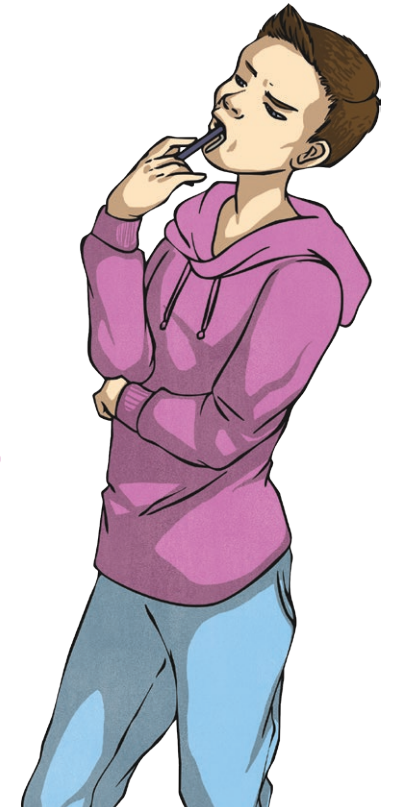
## Prefixes

# anti means: against

clockwise = anticlockwise

bacterial = antibacterial

Can you think of any more?



## Prefixes

**non** means: **the opposite of**

stop = **non**stop

sense = **non**sense

fiction = **non**fiction

**Can you think of any more?**



## Prefixes

**co** means: **together/joint**

operate = **co**operate

worker = **co**worker

pilot = **co**pilot

Can you think of any more?



## Prefixes

**ex** means: **out/outside of**

**ex**hale

**ex**pend

**ex**plode

**ex**plore

**ex**clude

**Can you think of any more?**





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# Prefix and Suffix Word Search

1. Find the words hidden in the grid below.

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

disable

disabled

misuse

misplace

misplaced

mistreat

mistreated

misbehave

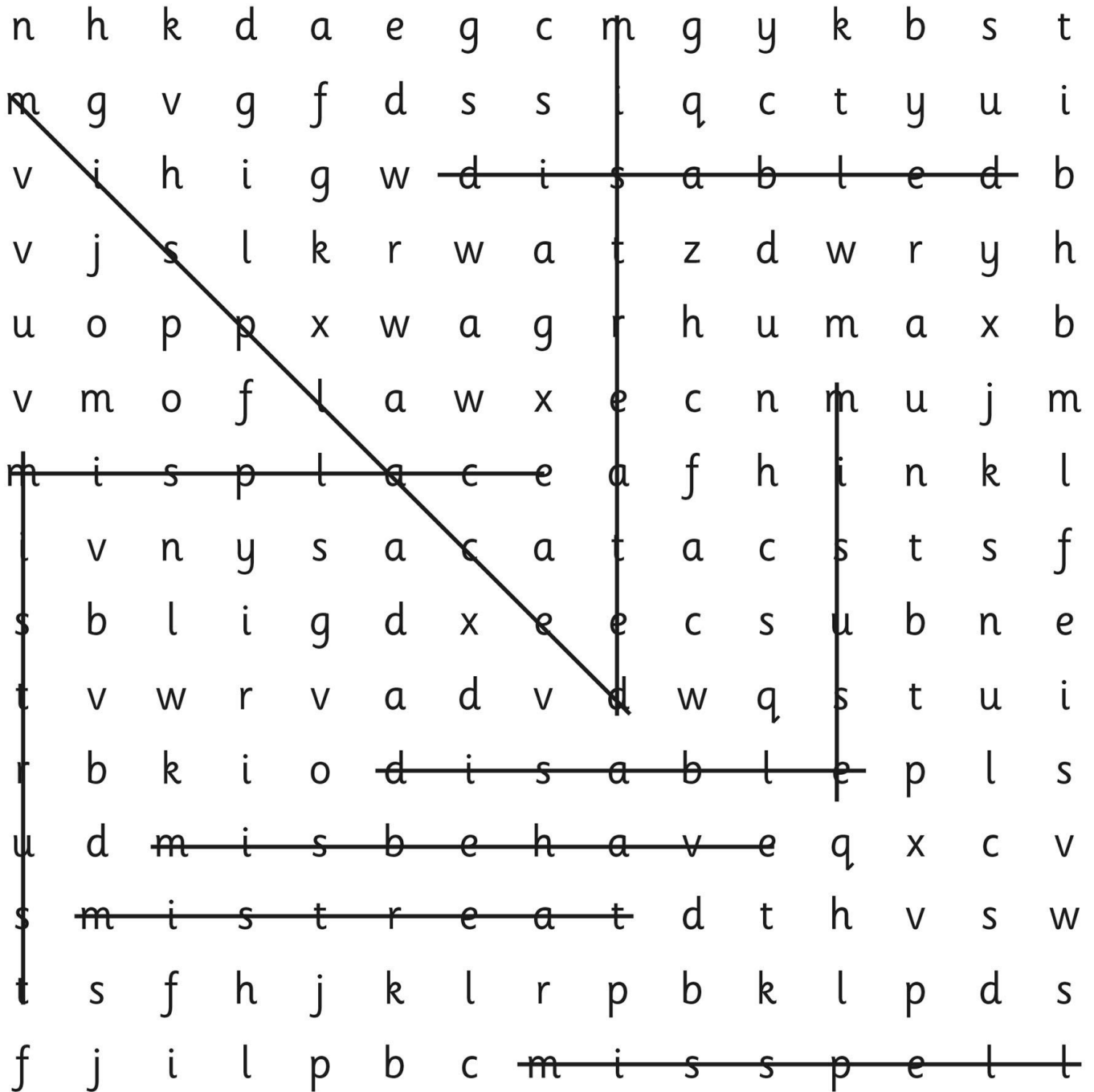
mistrust

misspell



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# Prefixes

**un**

**pre**

**mis**

**re**

**dis**

**over**

**de**

**in**

# Suffixes

able

ed

ing

s

er

ful

less

ly

# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

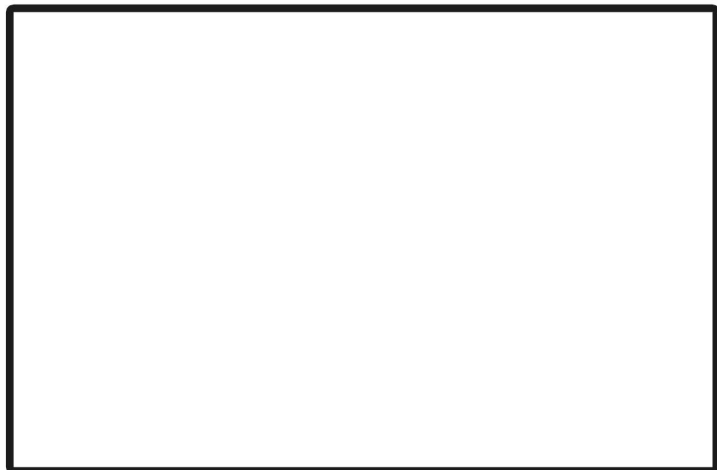
Use your prefix and suffix cards to create new words from the base word.

**heat**

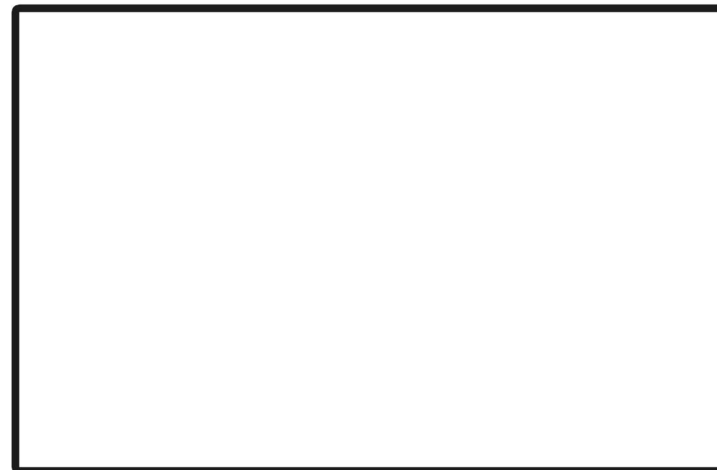

# Word Builder

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**want**




# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

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**miss**




# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

Use your prefix and suffix cards to create new words from the base word.



help





# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

Use your prefix and suffix cards to create new words from the base word.



open






# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

Use your prefix and suffix cards to create new words from the base word.

loud


# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

Use your prefix and suffix cards to create new words from the base word.

play


# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

Use your prefix and suffix cards to create new words from the base word.



read




# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

Use your prefix and suffix cards to create new words from the base word.



pack




# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

Use your prefix and suffix cards to create new words from the base word.



**view**




# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

Use your prefix and suffix cards to create new words from the base word.



**trust**




# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

Use your prefix and suffix cards to create new words from the base word.



**thank**




# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

Use your prefix and suffix cards to create new words from the base word.



**cover**






# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....


Use your prefix and suffix cards to create new words from the base word.

friend



# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

Use your prefix and suffix cards to create new words from the base word.



**clean**




# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

Use your prefix and suffix cards to create new words from the base word.



**colour**




# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

Use your prefix and suffix cards to create new words from the base word.

**connect**


# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

Use your prefix and suffix cards to create new words from the base word.

**caution**


# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

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appear




# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

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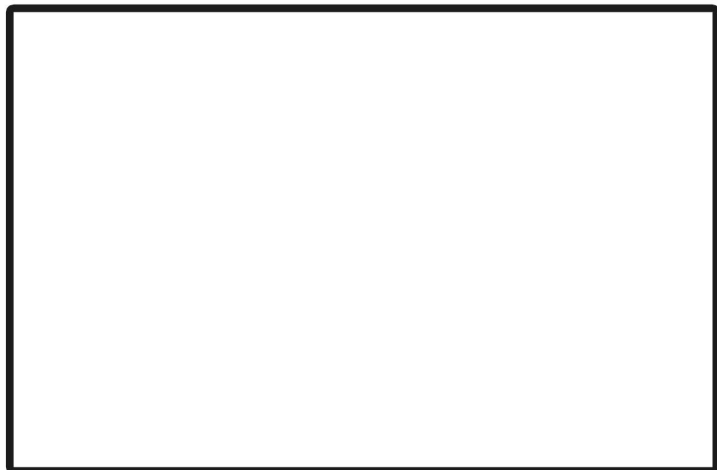
form



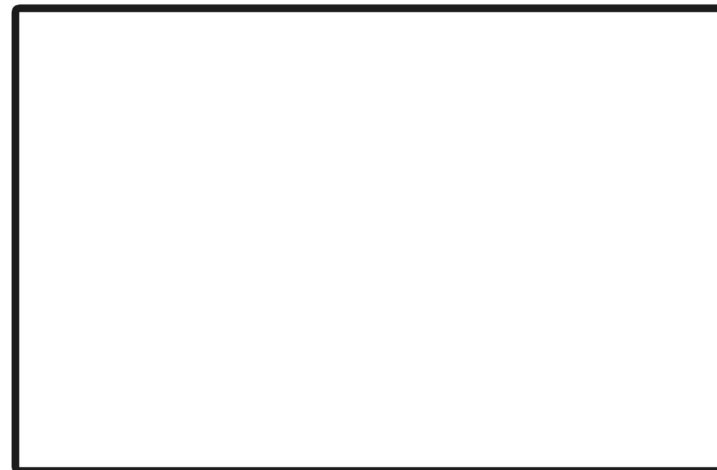

# Word Builder

Name: ..... Date: .....

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do

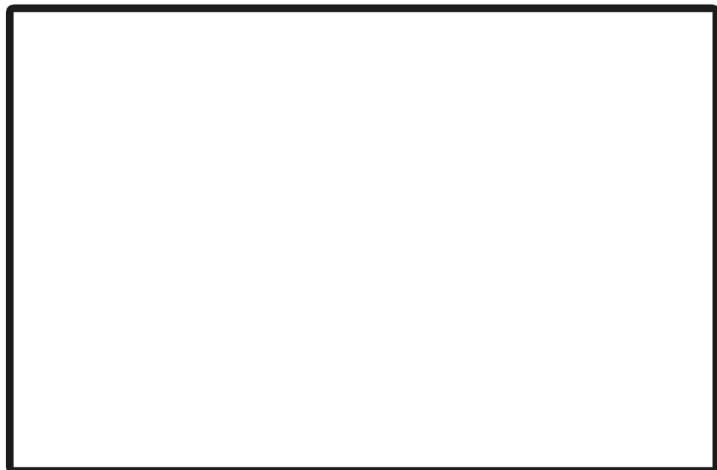




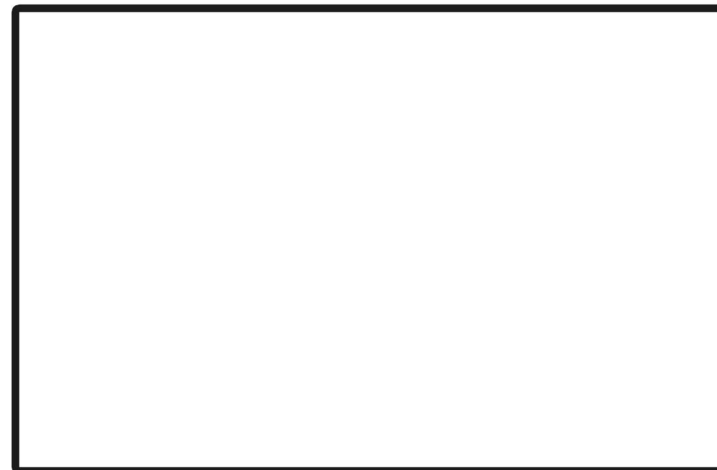

# Word Builder

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act




# Prefix Word List

## **un (not)**

untie  
unhappy  
unload  
unfair

## **in (no/not/non)**

inactive  
incorrect  
incomplete  
invisible

## **dis (not/no)**

disappear  
disobey  
disagree  
dishonest  
disappoint

## **mis (wrong)**

misspell  
misbehave  
misread  
misheard  
mislead  
misspell

## **il (not)**

illegal  
illegible  
illogical  
illiterate

## **im (no/not/non)**

immature  
impossible  
impatient  
imperfect  
immortal

## **ir (not)**

irregular  
irresponsible  
irrelevant  
irreplaceable  
irresistible

## **re (again/back)**

refill  
redo  
rewrite  
reinvent

## **de (to take away/reduce)**

deactivate  
defuse  
defrost  
dehydrate

## **sub (under/less important)**

submerge  
subconscious  
subheading  
substandard

## **inter (between/along)**

international  
intersection  
interaction  
interchangeable

## **over (too much/excessive)**

overcrowding  
overhanging  
overconfident  
overcooked

# Prefix Word List

## **Super (greater)**

supermarket  
superstar  
superhuman

## **pre (before)**

preschool  
prehistoric  
preview

## **pro (in support of/acting for)**

pronoun  
proclaim

## **auto (self/own)**

autobiography  
automobile  
autograph

## **anti (against)**

antisocial  
anticlockwise

## **ex (out/outside of)**

export  
excommunication

## **trans(across/through/ changing)**

transport  
transatlantic

## **bi (two)**

bicycle  
bilingual  
binoculars

## **com and con (with/together)**

composition conform

## **Hyphens can also be used to join a prefix to a root word:**

semi-professional  
(semi- half/partly)  
co-own (co- together/joint)  
non-fiction  
(non - the opposite of)

## Match the Meaning, Suffix Card Game - Teacher notes

LO: To read and understand words that use suffixes.

These cards contain words using the –ness, -ment, -ful, -less and –ly suffixes. There are also cards in the pack which give the definition to these words. For example:

**careful**

**Tries to avoid  
danger or harm.**

Use these cards to practice reading and understanding suffixes, either individually or in paired or group work.

Match the Meaning, Suffix Card Game - Word cards

**business**

**smoothness**

**amazement**

**basement**

**disgraceful**

**colourful**

**blameless**

**flavourless**

**magically**

**Match the Meaning, Suffix Card Game - Word cards**

**Somebody's  
job or work.**

**Being  
smooth.**

**Great surprise or  
wonder.**

**An underground  
room.**

**Totally  
unacceptable.**

**Full of colour.**

**Without  
blame.**

**Without  
flavour.**

**It happened  
by magic.**

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Match the Meaning, Suffix Card Game - Word cards

shiny

loved

slowest

sickness

blackness

enjoyment

playful

endless

madly



**Match the Meaning, Suffix Card Game - Word cards**

**Reflects light.**

**A strong  
emotion.**

**The most  
slow.**

**Being ill.**

**Total  
darkness.**

**Taking pleasure  
in something.**

**Likes to play.**

**Never ends.**

**In a  
mad way.**

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## Match the Meaning, Suffix Card Game Word Cards

neatness

greatness

excitement

payment

tearful

joyful

needless

roofless

bravely

Match the Meaning, Suffix Card Game - Word cards

Being neat.

Being great.

Great  
enthusiasm.

Paying for  
something.

Wanting to  
cry.

Trying to  
avoid danger.

Not  
necessary.

Without a  
roof.

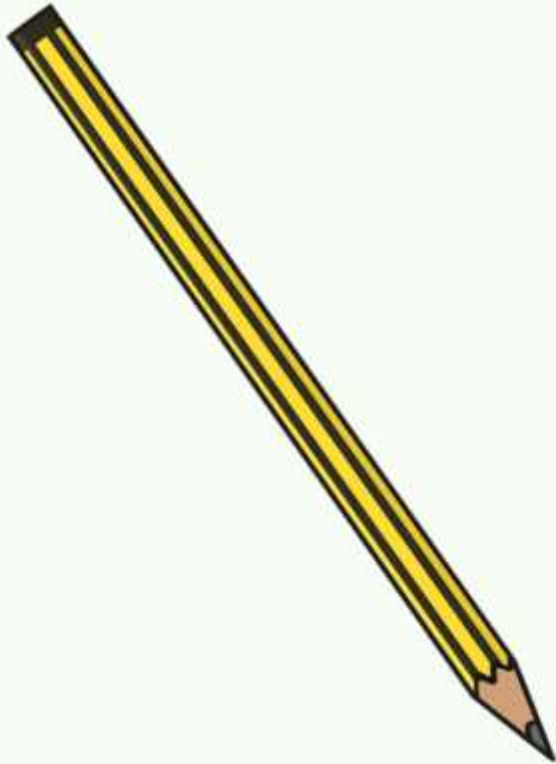
Showing  
courage.

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# **Adding Suffixes to Spell Longer Words**



# What is a **suffix**?

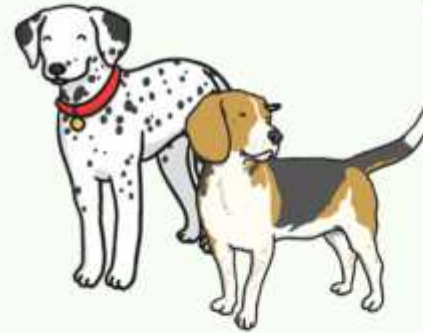


A suffix is something that we add to the **end** of a word that changes its meaning.

Here are some suffixes that you might have met before:



catches



dogs



fast  
faster  
fastest



pull  
pulling  
pulled  
puller

# - ness

is a suffix that turns **adjectives** (words that **describe**) into **nouns** (words that **name**).

Here is an example:

kind	<u>kindness</u>
Charlie was kind to his friend.	Charlie showed kindness to his friend.

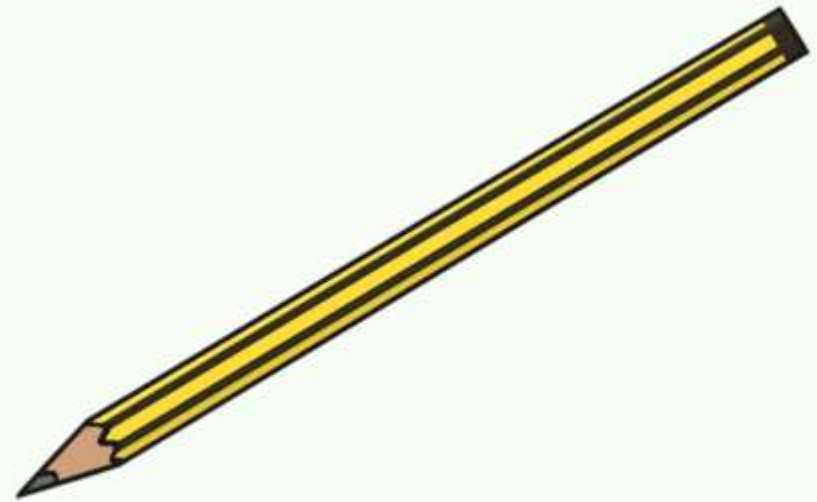




# - ness

Can you add -ness to these adjectives and use them in a sentence?

- bright
- dark
- sad



# - ment

can be added to verbs and adjectives to make a noun.

For example:

enjoy → enjoyment

appoint → appointment



Sometimes adding the suffix **-ment** changes the spelling of the root word.

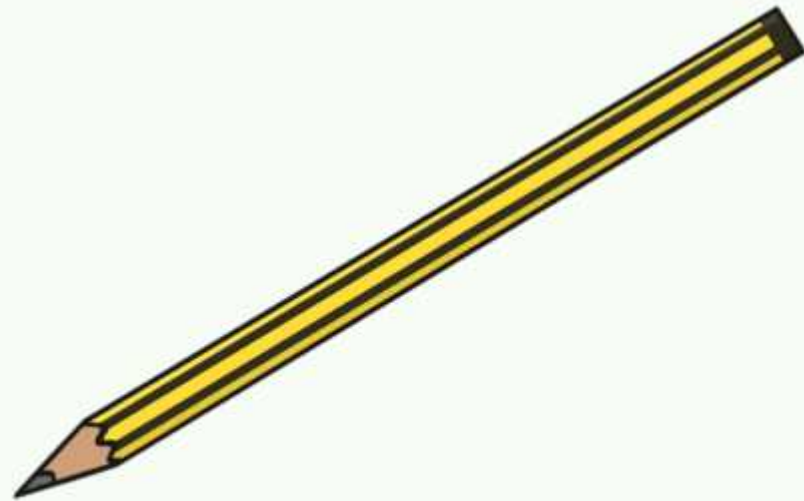
argue → argument

merry → merriment

# - ment

Can you add – ment to these adjectives and use them in a sentence?

- achieve
- replace
- amaze



# - ful

can be added to words to make adjectives.

Think of this suffix as meaning 'full of'.

For example: what is something that is full of beauty?

## beautiful

Notice that the 'y' at the end of beauty changes to an 'i' in beautiful.

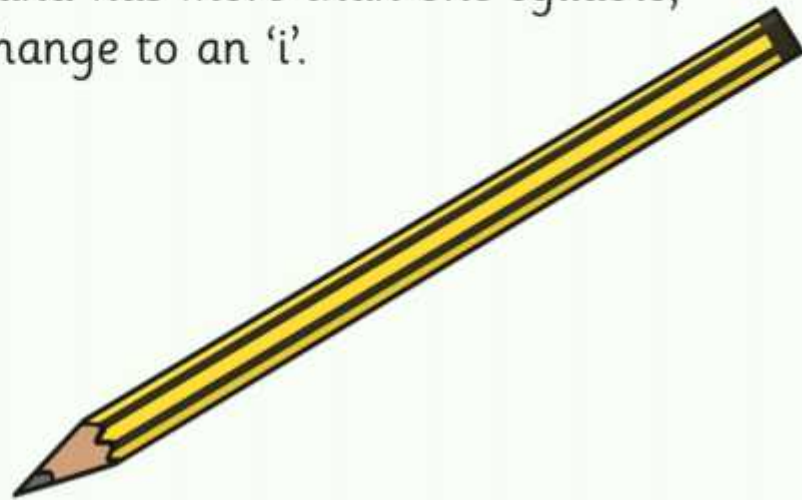


# - ful

Can you make these words into adjectives using the -ful suffix?

If the root word ends in a 'y' and has more than one syllable,  
the 'y' will change to an 'i'.

- bounty
- resent
- hope



# - less

can be added to words to make adjectives.  
This suffix tells us what the subject does not have.

For example:

hope	hopeless
Lucy showed hope during a hard time.	When Charlotte lost her new shoes she felt hopeless.

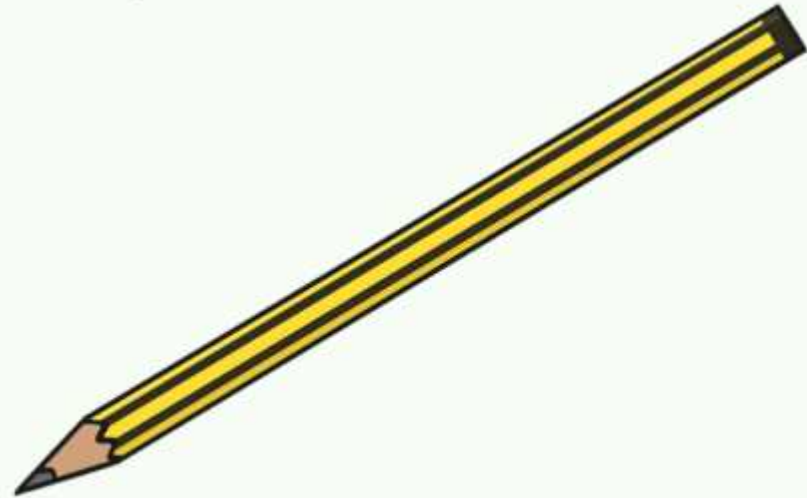


# - less

Can you make these words into adjectives using the -less suffix?

If the root word ends in a 'y' and has more than one syllable, the 'y' will change to an 'i'.

- penny
- count
- fault



- ly

is usually added to words to tell us how or how often something is done.

For example:

Lanty fell over and hurt her knee badly.

Trevor delivers our milk weekly.

Matthew skipped through the playground merrily.





# - ly

Can you modify these words using the -ly suffix?

If the root word ends in a 'y' and has more than one syllable, the 'y' will change to an 'i'.

- happy
- quick
- sudden

