

Suffixes *-ful, -ly, -y*

Read Words

wonderful untruthful helpful useful thankful
 thoughtful careful joyful fearful cheerful
 quietly eagerly seriously comfortably independently
 gratefully truthfully hopefully cheerfully beautifully
 sunny furry sugary powdery peppery
 juicy mousy fruity rainy funny

I am thankful it is a sunny day.

The powdery substance is quite messy.

Please work quietly and independently.

My wonderful friends cheerfully helped me.

Write Words

joy + ful = _____ forget + ful = _____
 grim + ly = _____ unbelievable + ly = _____
 mouse + y = _____ fluff + y = _____
 stuff + y + ly = _____ disgrace + ful + ly = _____
 play + ful + ly = _____

Suffixes *-less, -ness, -ment*

Read Words

shameless	helpless	tactless	worthless
harmless	thoughtless	alertness	statement
likeness	tardiness	roughness	unhappiness
hopelessness	fearlessness	heartlessness	carelessness
treatment	assessment	deferment	retirement
development	purposeless	sickness	accompaniment

Try this treatment for your sickness.

Your tardiness is a sign of carelessness.

We performed an assessment of the development.

The fearless adventurer said the snake was harmless.

Write Words

shape + less = _____ fruit + less = _____

firm + ness = _____ serious + ness = _____

settle + ment = _____ commit + ment = _____

time + less + ness = _____

weight + less + ness = _____

Suffixes *-ion, -tion, -ation, -ition*

Read Words

discussion impression remission expression illusion
pollution distraction detection creation abstraction
rumination ramification clarification initiation explanation
tuition munitions rendition expedition edition
champion inspiration respiration ignition ambition

My rumination ended in distraction.

That vague expression needs clarification.

Our discussion made an impression on me.

The expedition moved quietly to avoid detection.

Write Words

Combine the parts to make new words. Watch for spelling changes. Check a dictionary if you need help.

defame + ation = _____ allocate + ion = _____

reclaim + ation = _____ associate + ion = _____

add + ition = _____ reflect + ion = _____

submit + tion = _____

Suffixes *-ive, -age, -ize*

Read Words

reactive	divisive	explosive	decisive	positive
passive	negative	marriage	computerize	standardize
marriage	suffrage	dotage	frontage	percentage
realize	satirize	homogenize	specialize	recognize
vocalize	criticize	advantage	sympathize	organize

Let's organize a march for suffrage.

If you are positive, vocalize your concerns.

Highly reactive materials can be explosive.

Writers may satirize something to criticize it.

Write Words

select + ive = _____ permit + ive = _____

wreck + age = _____ sign + age = _____

personal + ize = _____ romantic + ize = _____

Suffixes *-able, -ible*

Read Words

laughable noticeable capable unbearable suitable
possible visible indivisible audible compatible
comfortable usable affordable favorable inexplicable
credible edible flexible legible tangible

The sign was visible but not legible.

That affordable car is suitable for our needs.

Is it possible that this old sandwich is edible?

Our classroom is comfortable rather than unbearable.

Write Words

honor + able = _____ believe + able = _____

notice + able = _____ comfort + able = _____

convert + ible = _____ resist + ible = _____

explain + ible = _____ flex + ible = _____

Suffixes *-ant, -ent, -ance, -ence*

Read Words

intelligent	evident	violent	elegant	diligent
intelligence	evidence	violence	elegance	diligence
constant	brilliant	coherent	abundant	arrogant
experience	nuisance	conference	coincidence	reference
acquaint	acquaintance	excel	excellent	excellence

A genius is brilliant and intelligent.

The police found evidence of violence.

The constant phone calls are a nuisance.

The speaker at the conference was barely coherent.

Write Words

resist + ant = _____ confide + ent = _____

occur + ence = _____ disappear + ance = _____

vigil + ant = _____ vigil + ance = _____

Suffixes *-er, -or, -ist*

Read Words

shopper	renter	baker	ruler	farmer
sailor	debtor	sculptor	counselor	senator
biologist	finalist	chemist	artist	dentist
carpenter	excavator	violinist	recruiter	commentator
specialist	explorer	orator	ecologist	exterminator
doctor	drummer	cyclist	editor	shipper

That artist is a sculptor.

I think the senator is a good orator.

The baker was a finalist in the bake-off.

A shopper who overspends may become a debtor.

Write Words

ski + er = _____ compose + er = _____

moderate + or = _____ conduct + or = _____

novel + ist = _____ piano + ist = _____

Suffixes *-al, -ial*

Read Words

rental	verbal	digital	thermal	visual
official	special	social	material	industrial
fatal	final	central	original	alphabetical
cordial	serial	perennial	colloquial	circumstantial
lateral	logical	bilingual	diagonal	marginal
natural	royal	remedial	maternal	commercial

My original offer is final.

Movements can be lateral or diagonal.

The thermal material is good for insulation.

Please put these special papers in alphabetical order.

Write Words

spine + al = _____ finance + ial = _____

accident + al = _____ commerce + ial = _____

education + al = _____ residence + ial = _____