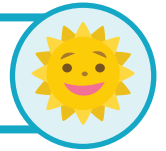




# Suffix Search



A suffix is a letter or group of letters placed at the end of a base word to change the meaning of that word.

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| <b>COLOR</b> | <b>FUL</b> |
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root word

suffix

| suffix | meaning        | suffix | meaning             |
|--------|----------------|--------|---------------------|
| ist    | one skilled in | ish    | of the nature of    |
| able   | able to be     | ous    | full of             |
| tion   | art of         | er     | one who does        |
| ful    | full of        | hood   | state of being      |
| al     | pertaining to  | ward   | in the direction of |
| like   | similar to     | ness   | quality of          |
| ible   | able to be     | ment   | act or process of   |

**Example:** The geologist was overcome with happiness when he discovered a rare stone.

**geologist:** one skilled in geology

**happiness:** quality of being happy

Read the sentences below. Find the words that contain suffixes. Circle each suffix and write its definition on the line below each sentence. Use the above chart and a dictionary as reference.

1. It would be selfish to keep this bountiful garden hidden.

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2. The adorable kitten was unable to resist the red laser beam.

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3. "Onward!" shouted Luke during a difficult hike.

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4. After some national debate, California gained its statehood in 1850.

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5. Mia is the lead singer and guitarist for her band, The Dreadful Dames.

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6. In a burst of excitement, Pete yelled, "This movie is awesome!"

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