

A **suffix** is a letter or letters **added** to the **end of a word** that **changes its meaning**.

► A **suffix** has a **meaning of its own**.

► The **suffix** **keeps its meaning**.

Suffix + Word	Suffix Meaning	Example
<b>cheerful</b>	<b>-ful</b> means “full of”	The kids were <b>cheerful</b> at the end of the school year.
<b>painful</b>		The cut on my knee was very <b>painful</b> .
<b>careful</b>		Josh was very <b>careful</b> in crossing the street.

**Not examples of suffixes:**

**full best fly**

(-ful, -est, and -ly are not suffixes here because l-, b-, and f- are not words)

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Which word has a suffix? Explain.

**A** thank

**B** thankful

Which word has a suffix? How do you know?

**A** fulfill

**B** helpful

In your own words, what is a suffix?

- 1 Read the words with the suffixes.
- 2 Identify the suffix and its meaning. (write)
- 3 Complete each sentence with the correct word. (write)
- 4 Read the sentence with the correct word.

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-ful	full of ____
-ly	in a ____ way
-ous	full of ____
-y	having ____

**A loudly****B quickly**

1 The students spoke \_\_\_\_\_ in the classroom.

2 Students line up \_\_\_\_\_ when the bell rings.

3 The dog barked \_\_\_\_\_ all night long.

\_\_\_\_\_ means \_\_\_\_\_

**A wonderful****B playful**

4 Ana had a \_\_\_\_\_ birthday party.

5 My new puppy is very \_\_\_\_\_ .

6 It's a \_\_\_\_\_ day for a picnic.

\_\_\_\_\_ means \_\_\_\_\_

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**A humorous**    **B dangerous**

7 I laughed at the \_\_\_\_\_ cartoon.

8 Walking on ice is \_\_\_\_\_ .

\_\_\_\_\_ means \_\_\_\_\_

9 Playing with fire is very \_\_\_\_\_ .

**A rocky**    **B watery**

10 The lake's shore was too \_\_\_\_\_ for walking.

11 The ketchup in the bottle is now too \_\_\_\_\_ .

\_\_\_\_\_ means \_\_\_\_\_

12 The dust caused my eyes to become \_\_\_\_\_ .

## Skill Closure

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-ation	result of _ing
-ment	

**A operation**   **B information**

\_\_\_\_\_ means \_\_\_\_\_

1 The teacher gave \_\_\_\_\_ about math.

2 The football player had a knee \_\_\_\_\_ .

3 The child had a very successful eye \_\_\_\_\_ .

## Concept Closure

Adele wrote a list of words with the suffix -ly. Is her list correct? Explain your answer.

**A coldly**

**B exactly**

**C belly**

## Summary Closure

What did you learn today about identifying the meaning of suffixes?

## Word Bank

suffix  
letters  
added  
ending  
change  
meaning  
same

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**A punishment****B argument**

\_\_\_\_\_ means \_\_\_\_\_

- 1 The two boys had an \_\_\_\_\_ about their bikes.
- 2 Jim received a \_\_\_\_\_ for misbehaving.
- 3 Let us stop this \_\_\_\_\_ and be friends again.

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**Write a sentence using words with suffixes.**



careful

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softly

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## Listening

Listen carefully to each word.

Determine if the word has a suffix. If it has a suffix, identify its meaning.

<b>A</b>	YES	NO	
<b>B</b>	YES	NO	
<b>C</b>	YES	NO	
<b>D</b>	YES	NO	
<b>E</b>	YES	NO	
<b>F</b>	YES	NO	
<b>G</b>	YES	NO	

Read each word.

Complete each sentence with the correct word.

**A** poisonous

**B** Brotherly

**C** lumpy

**D** powerful

1 Sam is a \_\_\_\_\_ halfback in football.

2 The rattlesnake is known to be \_\_\_\_\_.

3 Philadelphia is the City of \_\_\_\_\_ Love.

4 Marie said the oatmeal was too \_\_\_\_\_.

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<b>-ment</b>	



## Reading

**Read the passage.**

**Use words with suffixes in the blanks.**

hopeful

Ralph and Derrick play in a \_\_\_\_\_ soccer game.

invitation

Soccer is a game that moves \_\_\_\_\_. Players have to

weekly

watch the ball \_\_\_\_\_, and listen to the coach. Ralph and

closely

Derrick are filled with \_\_\_\_\_ because they received an

quickly

competition

\_\_\_\_\_ to a national soccer \_\_\_\_\_. Ralph and

excitement

Derrick are \_\_\_\_\_ that their team will win first place!

**Read each word.**

**Complete each sentence with the correct word.**

**A** orderly

**B** mysterious

**C** painful

**D** dusty

**1** The garage gets more \_\_\_\_\_ every week.

**2** Falling on the hard cement was \_\_\_\_\_.

**3** Mrs. Finn's desk is very \_\_\_\_\_.

**4** How a rainbow works used to be \_\_\_\_\_.

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