

Adjective Suffixes

We can add suffixes to some nouns and verbs to form adjectives. (Sometimes the spelling changes.)

- able / - al / -ant / - ent / - ible / - ful / - ic / - ing / - ive / - less / ous / - y /

1. Complete the sentences with an adjective formed from the noun or verb in brackets.

1. The general secretary opened the congress on _____ (globe) warming.
2. She was _____ (envy) of her sister's new fashionable dress.
3. If Alan says something _____ (offense), it may hurt your feelings, but it was not _____ (intention).
4. These documents are not _____ (access) to the public.
5. Climate change could have _____ (disaster) effects on Earth.
6. Mary has an _____ (envy) relationship with her parents, who are always _____ (support).
7. Doctors are _____ (hesitate) to comment on the new treatment.
8. Nowadays tractors are used even in remote _____ (mountain) regions.
9. His audition went well and he's fairly _____ (hope) about getting the part.
10. We must never let any _____ (accident) success go to our heads.
11. They'd soon be _____ (penny) and _____ (home) if she couldn't find a _____ (suit) work.
12. The climate is usually _____ (rely) in June, but this year, it was very _____ (rain) and _____ (wind).
13. _____ (Fog) mountains are mysteriously _____ (attract).
14. Interest rates are an important instrument of _____ (economy) policy.
15. Tom had some _____ (excite) adventures in Egypt.
16. The beef was overcooked; it was _____ (taste) and _____ (chew).
17. The keyboard is hidden inside a _____ (decorate), _____ (wash) tablecloth.

2. Choose the correct spelling.

1. Most infectious diseases are now **curable** / **curible**.
2. Their **extravagant** / **extravagent** life-style plunged them into debt.
3. Mr. Robertson would be a **credible** / **credable** candidate.
4. Most spiders weave webs that are almost **invisable** / **invisible**.
5. Put **breakable** / **breakible** objects out of the reach of children.
6. Peter is always the most **arguementative** / **argumentative** of the class.
7. He's very **knowledgable** / **knowledgeable** about German literature.
8. These clothes aren't **suitable** / **suitible** for this kind of weather.
9. Students may feel **reluctent** / **reluctant** to ask questions.

