8E Word Skills

Adjective suffixes

I can understand and use different adjective suffixes.

1 **Complete the adjectives with all the possible suffixes below.**

-able -al -ful -ish -less -ly ~~-ous~~ -y

1 furious
2 peace _____
3 luck _____
4 economic _____
5 enjoy _____
6 self _____
7 week _____
8 taste _____

2 **Complete the text with the correct suffixes from exercise 1. Use one suffix three times.**

The Beale codes

This is the story of three [1]mysteri_____ documents and a box of buried treasure. The treasure, worth $64 million in today's money, belonged to an American man called Thomas Beale. He got it by risking his life on a [2]danger_____ adventure in New Mexico and he buried it somewhere near the [3]snow_____ mountains of Virginia. He then wrote three messages in secret code to describe the exact location. Later, Beale became [4]friend_____ with a man called Robert Morriss. He believed that Morriss was a [5]reli_____ person so he left the three messages with him when he had to go away in 1822. He never returned. Morriss could not solve the secret messages and, years later, gave them to a friend. The friend used an important [6]nation_____ document (the Declaration of Independence) to solve one of the messages, but the other two remain a mystery to this day. Some historians are very [7]suspici_____ of the whole story. They think people are [8]fool_____ to waste their time hunting for treasure that might not exist. But thousands of code-breakers and treasure-hunters are still [9]hope_____ that they can find the treasure.

3 **Complete the adjectives by adding them to the table below. You can make more than one adjective from some of the words.**

afford beauty care child coward drink green help magic pain

	-ful
	-less
	-ish
	-able
	-ly
	-al

4 **Complete the sentences with words from exercise 3.**

1 This coffee isn't very nice, but I suppose it's _____.
2 I bruised my arm playing basketball and it's still very _____.
3 The receptionist was very _____ and suggested lots of good restaurants near the hotel.
4 There isn't much to do on this island, but the scenery is _____.
5 We can't eat this bread – the edges look _____.
6 More people go abroad for holidays now that flights are more _____.

VOCAB BOOST!

Some words seem long and difficult only because they include prefixes and suffixes. Dividing them into their parts can make them easier to understand and learn.

unhelpfulness → un|help|ful|ness
unenjoyable → un|enjoy|able

5 **Read the *Vocab boost!* box. Then draw lines to divide these words into parts (e.g. prefix, main word, suffix). Remember, some words have more than one suffix and some have only prefixes or only suffixes.**

1 carelessness
2 courageous
3 reusable
4 understandable
5 uncomfortable
6 unhappiness
7 homelessness
8 invisibility

THE LOCALITY OF THE VAULT.

71, 194, 38, 1701, 89, 76, 11, 83, 1629, 48, 94, 63, 132, 16, 111, 95, 84, 341, 975, 14, 40, 64, 27, 81, 139, 213, 63, 90, 1120, 8, 15, 3, 126, 2018, 40, 74, 758, 485, 604, 230, 436, 664, 582, 150, 251, 284, 308, 231, 124, 211, 486, 225, 401, 370, 11, 101, 305, 139, 189, 17, 33, 88, 208, 193, 145, 1, 94, 73, 416, 918, 263, 28, 500, 538, 356, 117, 136, 219, 27, 176, 130, 10, 460, 25, 485, 18, 436, 65, 84, 200, 283, 118, 320, 138, 36, 416, 280, 15, 71, 224, 961, 44, 16, 401, 39, 88, 61, 304, 12, 21, 24, 283, 134, 92, 63, 246, 486, 682, 7, 219, 184, 360, 780, 18, 64, 463, 474, 131, 160, 79, 73, 440, 95, 18, 64, 581, 34, 69, 128, 367, 460, 17, 81, 12, 103, 820, 62, 116, 97, 103, 862, 70, 60, 1317, 471, 540, 208, 121, 890, 346, 36, 150, 59, 568, 614, 13, 120, 63, 219, 812, 2160, 1780, 99, 35, 18, 21, 136, 872, 15, 28, 170, 88, 4, 30, 44, 112, 18, 147, 436, 195, 320, 37, 122, 113, 6, 140, 8, 120, 305, 42, 58, 461, 44, 106, 301, 13, 408, 680, 93, 86, 116, 530, 82, 568, 9, 102, 38, 416, 89, 71, 216, 728, 965, 818, 2, 38, 121, 195, 14, 326, 148, 234, 18, 55, 131, 234, 361, 824, 5, 81, 623, 48, 961, 19, 26, 33, 10, 1101, 365, 92, 88, 181, 275, 346, 201, 206, 86, 36, 219, 324, 829, 840, 64, 326, 19, 48, 122, 85, 216, 284, 919, 861, 326, 985, 233, 64, 68, 232, 431, 960, 50, 29, 81, 216, 321, 603, 14, 612, 81, 360, 36, 51, 62, 194, 78, 60, 200, 314, 676, 112, 4, 28, 18, 61, 136, 247, 819, 921, 1060, 464, 895, 10, 6, 66, 119, 38, 41, 49, 602, 423, 962, 302, 294, 875, 78, 14, 23, 111, 109, 62, 31, 501, 823, 216, 280, 34, 24, 150, 1000, 162, 286, 19, 21, 17, 340, 19, 242, 31, 86, 234, 140, 607, 115, 33, 191, 67, 104, 86, 52, 88, 16, 80, 121, 67, 95, 122, 216, 548, 96, 11, 201, 77, 364, 218, 65, 667, 890, 236,

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