

Suffix

- A **suffix** is a letter or group of letters that can be added at the end of base words.
- When a **suffix** is added to the base/root word, it forms a new word with a new meaning.
- The **suffix (ly)** means “full of, being or having.”
- The **suffix (y)** means “in a certain manner or way, forming an adjective.”

Suffix	Meaning
-ed	<i>past-tense</i>
-ful	<i>full of, tending to</i>
-less	<i>without, not having</i>
-est	<i>most</i>
-er	<i>more</i>
-ly	<i>in a certain way or manner, like</i>
-ing	<i>present participle</i>
-able	<i>having the quality of, able to</i>



Root

comfort
play
fast
sleep
swift
strong
hope
want

Suffix

ed
able
est
ly
ful
ing
er
less

Combine each root word with the correct suffix. Write the words on the lines below. Use each suffix only once.

1. The teacher asked the students to quiet _____ work on their classwork.



2. Jennifer most _____ organizes her closet on the weekends.

3. The greed _____ dog ate two bowls of food.



4. It was a well deserved victor _____ for the team.

5. The friend _____ dog wagged his tail.

6. It was really wind _____ for our team to continue the soccer practice.



7. Amanda slow _____ tip-toed out of the room.

A: Create a new word by adding the correct suffix from the word bank to the root word.



1. fear _____ 2. enjoy _____

3. joy _____ 4. weak _____

5. shy _____ 6. amuse _____

7. bitter _____ 8. peace _____

9. soft _____ 10. treat _____

Word Bank	
less	ness
ful	ment