

unit 11

- Some adjectives and nouns which derive from verb roots do not follow the rules presented above:

appear → apparent → appearance

perform → performing → performance

insure → insured → insurance

please → pleasant → pleasure

interfere → interfering → interference

signify → significant → significance

obey → obedient → obedience

Verb Root	Noun (person) = verb + -ant
assist	assistant

- Nouns in **-ant** referring to people signify a person that does what the verb describes.
- Some other common verbs that form nouns in the same way are: *account, attend, consult, contest, defend, depend, inhabit* and *serve*.
- When the verb root ends in **-ate** or **-y**, the **-ate/-y** are replaced by **-ant**.
immigrate → *immigrant* *occupy* → *occupant*
- Be careful with the noun (person) deriving from the verb **apply**.
apply → *applicant*

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in capitals.

- I have to buy a _____ book as I'm _____ at cooking.
- There has been a _____ change in his behaviour lately.
- My friend was in for a(n) _____ surprise when he saw that his house had been _____.
- The food at the restaurant was _____, but the service was awful.
- I can't stand this _____ heat! I have to buy an air-conditioner.
- This disease is still _____, so it is _____ to be extra careful.
- Many students lack in _____ when it comes to _____ English.
- He is _____ clever for his age.
- Some students are totally _____ and their behaviour in general is _____.
- Kelly's house was not _____ against fire, so the _____ company will not pay for the damage.
- He was charged with _____ and was imprisoned for six years.
- My trip to Japan was _____. I had an _____ time.
- Visa _____ must have their passports with them.
- Despite his young age, he behaved very _____.

COOK, HOPE
NOTICE
PLEASE
BURGLE
TOLERATE
BEAR
CURE, ADVISE

CONFIDE, SPEAK

REMARK
OBEY
ACCEPT
INSURE, INSURE

FORGE
FORGET, ENJOY
APPLY
SENSE

Examination Practice

- A** Read the text below and decide which answer A, B, C or D best fits each space.

A WILD HUNT

Living in a modern society, we cannot (1) _____ the acts of crime that take place every day. Criminal activity ranges from stealing to the more serious crimes of kidnapping and murder.

Just recently, a hunt was on for two men who (2) _____ an off-licence in broad daylight. The shop owner tried