

TIP

A suffix is a word part added to the end of a word. The suffixes **er**, **or**, and **ist** mean something or someone who does something.

sweeper director tourist
The suffixes **er** and **est** can be used with adjectives to show comparison. The suffix **er** means more, as in greater. The suffix **est** means most, as in busiest.

LIST WORDS

1. *louder*
2. *scientist*
3. *warrior*
4. *director*
5. *scariest*
6. *slightest*
7. *prisoner*
8. *sweeper*
9. *novelist*
10. *greater*
11. *emperor*
12. *busiest*
13. *tourist*
14. *drearier*
15. *interpreter*
16. *hungrier*
17. *counselor*
18. *inspector*
19. *cartoonist*
20. *vocalist*

Spelling Practice

Words with Suffixes

Write each **list word** under the correct heading.

suffix shows comparison

suffix means something or someone who does something

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|----------|-----------|
| 1. _____ | 8. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 9. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 10. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 11. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 12. _____ |
| 6. _____ | 13. _____ |
| 7. _____ | 14. _____ |
| | 15. _____ |
| | 16. _____ |
| | 17. _____ |
| | 18. _____ |
| | 19. _____ |
| | 20. _____ |

Synonyms

Write a **list word** that is a synonym for each word given.

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| 1. artist _____ | 2. advisor _____ |
| 3. singer _____ | 4. smallest _____ |
| 5. ruler _____ | 6. captive _____ |
| 7. duller _____ | 8. noisier _____ |
| 9. translator _____ | 10. fighter _____ |
| 11. writer _____ | 12. traveler _____ |
| 13. larger _____ | 14. most frightening _____ |

Definitions

Write a **list word** to match each definition clue. Then, use the numbered letters to solve the riddle. Copy each numbered letter onto the line below with the same number.

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|-------------------------|-------|----|----|----|
| 1. person who directs | _____ | 15 | 1 | 7 |
| 2. one who sweeps | _____ | 3 | 8 | 16 |
| 3. most active | _____ | 14 | 12 | |
| 4. detective | _____ | 2 | | |
| 5. least | _____ | 9 | 13 | 5 |
| 6. more in need of food | _____ | 6 | 10 | 11 |
| 7. expert in science | _____ | 4 | | 17 |



Riddle: Why did the girl sleep with a ruler next to her bed?

Answer: She wanted _____
 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 2 10 11

 12 13 14 12 9 15 16 17

Spelling and Writing

Proofreading

The poster below has ten mistakes. Use the proofreading marks to fix the mistakes. Then, write the misspelled **list words** correctly on the lines.

Career Day Fair




April 12th

9:00–12:00 in the Cafeteria

Come meet a movie director, a cartonist, a nuclear scientist, and more. whether you know exactly what you want to do as a career, or don't have the slightist idea, there's no greator opportunity to learn about different career choices

this exciting day may leave you hungryer than usual, so a special lunch is planned for immediately after the fair

Proofreading Marks

-  spelling mistake
-  capital letter
-  add period

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____