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Suffixes



A suffix is a letter or group of letters that goes on the end of a word and changes the word's meaning.



For the next two weeks, we are looking at the suffix: -ous

Sometimes the root word is obvious and we just add the suffix.

root word	suffix	complete word
mountain	ous	mountainous
danger	ous	dangerous
courage	ous	courageous

On the other hand, sometimes there is no obvious root word:

serious

tremendous

hideous

enormous

Task - Write each of your spelling words at least three times.

poisonous
dangerous
various
enormous
serious
curious
tremendous
vigorous
courageous
hideous

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Play the wordwall game to find out the definitions of your spelling words this week.

Task

Work with a partner to fill in the empty boxes on each row to complete the table.

You may need to write the root word, fill in the suffix, add in the correct spelling or write a definition.

Who can fill in the most to earn housepoints?

Root Word	Suffix	Complete word	Definition
poison	aua	poisonous	
		dangerous	
vary		various	
No obvious root word.		enormous	
No obvious root word.		serious	
No obvious root word.		curious	
No obviou waru		tremendous	
vigour		vigorous	
No obviou waxa		hideous	
		courageous	

How did you do?

Score a House point each for each row you successfully completed

Root Word	Suffix	Complete word	Definition
poison	aua	poisonous	Something that is likely to cause serious harm or death.
danger	aus	dangerous	Something that is potentially harmful, damaging, or likely to cause an accident or injury.
vary	aus	various	Different from another or unalike.
No obviou	-	enormous	A very large weight, size, or amount.
No obviou	-	serious	To be showing deep thought or not joking.
No obviou		curious	To be eager to learn.
No obviou	_	tremendous	Astonishingly large, strong, or great.
vigour	aus	vigorous	Very healthy, <u>strong</u> or done with force and energy.
No obviou		hideous	Looking very ugly or frightening.
courage	aus	courageous	The ability to meet danger and difficulties with bravery.

The wordwall game is on your homework sheet if you would like to play again to practice your spellings or to understand the definitions better. Don't forget to record your name on the leaders board.

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poisonous serious courageous

dangerous curious hideous

various tremendous

enormous vigorous



Write a single clause sentence with an expanded noun phrase and a prepositional phrase.



Write a single clause sentence with an expanded noun phrase.



TIC TAC TOE Activity

Write a list of your spellings in alphabetical order. For even greater challenge, can you write them in reverse alphabetical order first?

