

## Suffixes

When we add a suffix to the end of a word, it changes what part of speech it is:

Eg happy (*adjective*)      happiness (*noun*)

Sometimes, we need to change the spelling of the original word (eg the 'y' in happy changes to an 'i').

Some suffixes also affect a word's meaning:

Eg careful (*taking care*)      careless (*not taking care!*)

These are four suffixes that you need to know in Year 6:

-*ance*      -*ancy*

-*ence*      -*ency*

All of these suffixes are used with nouns.

Turn the adjectives below into nouns using the four suffixes above and then write 6-8 sentences including some of the words you have created. Use a dictionary if you're not sure which spelling to use...

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| innocent  | independent | patient     |
| hesitant  | brilliant   | violent     |
| arrogant  | magnificent | decent      |
| confident | elegant     | radiant     |
| obedient  | vibrant     | transparent |

Try to use some of these words in today's poem!