

Lesson 34: Suffixes

Phonics Focus: Suffixes are a group of letters which are added to the end of a base word or a root word. They add meaning. They create a new word with a different meaning. For instance, adding “less” to “hope” creates “hopeless”, a word related to hope but with a totally different meaning.

Common suffixes

Suffix	Meaning	Examples
ed	past tense verb	hopped
ing	continuous action	playing
ly	characteristic of	motherly
er, or	person connected with	teacher, pastor
ion, tion, ation, ition	an act or a process	action, attention
ible, able	can be done	moveable, combustible
al	having the characteristic of or related to	final, royal
y	characterized by	funny, sunny, rainy
ness	state or condition of	happiness, kindness
ty, ity	state of, quality	honesty, unity
ment	action or process	enjoyment

ic	having the characteristics of	historic, comic
ous, ious	a quality of or full of	joyous, serious
en	to make, made of	fasten, weaken
er	used to compare, more	bigger, smarter
est	comparing	fastest, biggest, fattest
ful	full of	joyful, careful, cheerful
less	without	careless, hopeless
ess	one who [female]	waitress, princess
ive	inclined to	active, negative, positive
ship	state of	hardship, friendship
ant	one who	servant, immigrant

How to Be a Wise, **Cheer/ful**, **Hum/ble** Prince or **Prin/cess**



Did you know that you are a King or Queen in train/ing? JESUS is our KING of Kings, and He is **train/ing** us, His **ser/vants**, to be Kings and Queens in His Kingdom. That means that right now, you are one of GOD's princes or **prin/cess/es**! The Bi/ble says in 1 Peter 2:9, "But you are a cho/sen **gen/er/a/tion**, a royal **priest/hood**, a holy **na/tion**..." JESUS wants to **care/ful/ly** in/struct you in the skills of **Ser/vant Lead/er/ship**, so that you can one day rule with Him in His King/dom with **kind/ness** and jus/tice.

He wants you to de/vel/op many im/por/tant qual/it/ies. If you ask the HOLY SPIR/IT, He will help you to learn these qual/it/ies:

1. Love – Gen/u/ine concern for another person
2. Joy/ful/ness – full of joy
3. Peace/ful/ness – full of peace
4. Pa/tience – having the ab/il/it/y to wait
5. Kind/ness – being friend/ly, gen/tle, and gen/er/ous; doing good
6. Good/ness – doing what is right or prop/er
7. Faith/ful/ness – stick/ing with a job until the end; loyal; con/stant
8. Gen/tle/ness – soft, ten/der, sen/sit/ive, not rough
9. Meek/ness – power under con/trol, like a well-trained war-horse
10. Self-Con/trol – the ab/il/ity to con/trol one's ac/tions and e/mo/tions
11. At/ten/tive/ness – to pay at/ten/tion and listen closely
12. A/vail/a/bil/it/y – to make one/self a/vail/a/ble to do a task
13. Boldness – Saying and doing what is right, just, and honoring to GOD
14. Clean/li/ness – keep/ing your/self and your sur/round/ings clean and tidy
15. Com/mon Sense – in/tell/i/gence that comes from ex/per/i/ence
16. Com/pas/sion – feel/ing sor/ry for others and want/ing to help them
17. Con/sci/en/tious/ness – care/ful/ly doing what is right
18. Con/tent/ment – being hap/py with who you are and what you have
19. Cour/age – being wil/ling to face and deal with dan/ger, trou/ble, or pain
20. Cre/a/tiv/it/y – to im/a/gine and in/vent some/thing new
21. Cur/i/o/sit/y – a strong feeling of wanting to know and learn
22. De/ci/sive/ness – the ability to make a de/ci/sion
23. De/pend/ab/il/it/y – able to be counted on, re/li/a/ble
24. De/ter/min/a/tion – a strong de/ci/sion to ac/com/plish a goal



25. Dil/i/gent – working hard and **stead/i/ly** to ac/com/plish a goal
26. Being **Early, Ready, & Pre/pared** – show up **early** with the **needed** tools
27. En/thu/si/asm – a pas/sion and in/ter/est for some/thing
28. Fear of the LORD – having awe and res/pect for GOD
29. **Flex/i/bil/it/y** – being **willing** to make chan/ges as the sit/u/a/tion changes
30. **For/give/ness** – to give up feeling **angry** or **wanting** to pun/ish
31. **Gen/er/os/it/y** – **willing** to give or share; not **self/ish**
32. **Good judg/ment** – having the **a/bil/it/y** to make good **de/ci/sions**
33. **Gra/cious/ness** – kind, pol/ite, **for/giv/ing**, and **com/fort/ing**
34. **Grate/ful/ness** – to be **thank/ful** and **ap/pre/ci/a/tive**
35. **Help/ful** – always **ready** to help others
36. **Ho/li/ness** – set apart for GOD
37. **Hon/es/ty** – always **telling** the truth
38. **Hos/pit/al/it/y** – **cheer/fully sharing** food and shelter with others
39. **Hum/ble/ness** – low; not proud; **knowing** your own **weak/ness/es**
40. **Hu/mor/ous** – **funny, a/mu/sing**, and **com/ic/al**
41. **In/i/tia/tive** – the **ab/il/it/y** to start new things with/out being told
42. **Low/li/ness** – **taking** a low **po/si/tion**; **hum/ble**; meek; not proud
43. **Meek/ness** – **pa/tient** or mild; not **an/gry** or **re/sent/ful**
44. **Mer/ci/ful** – showing a **kind/ness** that is **greater** than **ex/pect/ed**
45. **O/be/di/ent** – **im/me/di/ate/ly doing** what your au/thor/it/ies tell you to do
46. **Or/der/li/ness** – **keep/ing** things neat and **or/gan/ized**
47. **Per/sis/tence** – **staying** with a task until it is done; **re/fu/sing** to give up
48. **Re/spect/ful** – polite; **showing** honor to others
49. **Re/spons/ib/le** – **able** to be **trusted** to take care of some/thing; **reliable**
50. **Teach/a/ble** – **being** open to **learning** some/thing new
51. Finish the job – the **ab/il/it/y** to com/plete a job, **in/clu/ding** clean-up



52. Trust/wor/thy – able to be trusted; de/pen/da/ble; re/li/a/ble
53. Truth/ful – honest; telling the truth; not ly/ing
54. Wis/dom – the ab/il/it/y to make good de/ci/sions based on know/ledge and ex/per/i/ence

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS:

1. JESUS is our King of Kings, and He is training us, His servants, to be _____ and _____ in His Kingdom.
2. What is faithfulness?
3. What is compassion?

PROJECT:

Galatians 5:22-23 says, “ But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things!”

Sing the song “I Choose to Be Like JESUS”. It is very important to choose to be a person of good character. A person can be one of the smartest people on the earth, but unless he is also kind, honest, and loves JESUS, his intelligence does him no eternal good. Today, try your best to be kind to everyone: to your classmates, siblings, neighbors, and pets. Give compliments, high fives, hugs, and smiles, and help everyone around you. Also, listen to the book *Kindness is My Superpower* by Alicia Ortega.