

HM Suffixes Third Grade

Suffixes	Suffix Meaning	Sample Words and Definitions
-er	a person who	<u>announcer</u> : a person who announces <u>barber</u> : a person who cuts hair <u>teacher</u> : a person who teaches
-er	action or process	<u>fluster</u> : to make someone nervous <u>ponder</u> : to think carefully <u>stutter</u> : to say something haltingly
-er	more	<u>bigger</u> : more big <u>faster</u> : more fast <u>happier</u> : more happy
-ful	full of	<u>cheerful</u> : full of cheer <u>helpful</u> : full of help <u>thankful</u> : full of thanks
-less	without	<u>fearless</u> : without fear <u>helpless</u> : without power or strength; weak <u>homeless</u> : without a home
-ly	in what manner (makes an adverb)	<u>badly</u> : in a bad, inferior manner <u>courageously</u> : in a courageous, brave manner <u>quickly</u> : in a quick, speedy manner
-ness	state or quality (makes a noun)	<u>kindness</u> : the state of being kind <u>shyness</u> : the condition of being shy <u>weakness</u> : the condition of being weak
-y	made up of, characterized by	<u>brainy</u> : characterized by intelligence <u>fruity</u> : consisting of or like fruit <u>goeey</u> : made up of goo

Suffix: the part added to the end of the word after the root. It can often add information to the root or change the meaning or part of speech of the word.