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## Suffix Dictionary

The following is a graphic organizer for recording the meanings of suffixes. This graphic organizer can be used to help children find patterns in word endings.

To get started, write a common word ending in the “Suffix” column and record examples of words that include this word ending in the “Examples” column. In the “Part of Speech” column, determine whether the example words are adjectives or nouns. Finally, based on the list of examples, try to figure out the meaning of the suffix, and record this in the “Meaning” column.

For more on how to use this graphic organizer, read the Iowa Reading Research Center blog post [“Learning English With Your Children and Teens: Making and Playing Games to practice English”](#) by Kate Will.



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**Definition:** a word part added to the end of a root word to change the meaning

**Examples:** the *-ly* in “quickly” or the *-ed* in “listened”

Suffix	Examples	Part of Speech	Meaning

