

Lesson 19: Noun Suffixes *-ship, -ment, -ity* Assign # _____

Each Spelling Word has the suffix *-ship, -ment, or -ity*. These suffixes can be added to many words to form nouns.

Look at each word. Notice whether the spelling of the base word changes or stays the same when the suffix is added. Then sort into groups by suffix.

-SHIP	-ITY
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
-MENT	_____
_____	_____
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Spelling Words

1. *statement*
2. *friendship*
3. *leadership*
4. *partnership*
5. *activity*
6. *ability*
7. *argument*
8. *personality*
9. *electricity*
10. *championship*
11. *community*
12. *majority*
13. *responsibility*
14. *curiosity*
15. *necessity*
16. *authority*

Your Own Words

Look for other words with the suffixes *-ship, -ment, and -ity* to add to the list. You might hear *hardship* or *tournament* in a sportscast. You might see *creativity* or *appointment* on a report card.

17. _____
18. _____
19. _____
20. _____

The suffixes *-ship, -ment, and -ity* can be added to words to form nouns.

- Most words retain their spelling when *-ship* or *-ment* is added.
- When *-ity* is added to a word that ends in *e*, the *e* is dropped.

Lesson 19: Noun Suffixes -ship, -ment, -ity (continued)

Assign # _____

SPELLING CLUES: Suffixes If you're not sure how to spell a word, look at its parts. Make sure the suffix is spelled correctly. Then look at the base word and decide whether the spelling stays the same or changes.

Look at the two possible spellings. Write the correct spelling.

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| 1. statement | statment | 4. partneship | partnership |
| 2. athorrrity | authority | 5. electricity | electrisity |
| 3. majorrrity | majority | 6. argument | arguement |

Proofreading 7–12. Proofread this notice. Circle the words that are misspelled, and write them correctly.

This dog has never won a champeonship, but if you're looking for friendshep, he's a real winner. His strong sense of curiosity sometimes gets him into trouble, but he has the abblity to know when his master has had enough! He would thrive in a house filled with activity. Because of his size, a house with a large yard in a rural community is a nessesity.

Working with Meaning Use Spelling Words to replace 13–16.



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2. _____
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