



Roots, Prefixes & Suffixes

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Grade: Grade 5

Part A: Fix the Sentence

Each sentence has an error. Rewrite it correctly on the line.

1. Fix the sentence: The fearless knight was too scared to enter the dark cave.

Rewrite: _____

2. Fix the sentence: Adding -ment to the word "enjoy" changes it from a noun to a verb.

Rewrite: _____

3. Fix the sentence: The famous singer was unknown and nobody had heard of her.

Rewrite: _____

Part B: Fill in the Blank

Write the missing word or number on each line.

1. The suffix -tion turns a verb into a noun, so "educate" becomes _____ .
2. Adding the suffix -ful to "hope" creates _____ , meaning full of hope.
3. The suffix -less means "without," so adding it to "care" makes _____ .
4. Adding the suffix -ment to "improve" creates the noun _____ .

Part C: Short Answer

Answer each question in one or two complete sentences.

1. What happens to the meaning and part of speech of a word when you add the suffix -ness? Give an example.

2. Explain the difference between the suffixes -ful and -less. Use the root word "power" in your answer.

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1. Fix the sentence: The fearless knight was too scared to enter the dark cave.

Rewrite: The fearless knight bravely entered the dark cave without hesitation.

2. Fix the sentence: Adding -ment to the word "enjoy" changes it from a noun to a verb.

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3. Fix the sentence: The famous singer was unknown and nobody had heard of her.

Rewrite: The famous singer was well-known and admired by fans around the world.

Part B: Fill in the Blank

Write the missing word or number on each line.

1. The suffix -tion turns a verb into a noun, so "educate" becomes education.
2. Adding the suffix -ful to "hope" creates hopeful, meaning full of hope.
3. The suffix -less means "without," so adding it to "care" makes careless.
4. Adding the suffix -ment to "improve" creates the noun improvement.

Part C: Short Answer

Answer each question in one or two complete sentences.

1. What happens to the meaning and part of speech of a word when you add the suffix -ness? Give an example.

The suffix -ness changes an adjective into a noun that means "the state of being." For example, adding -ness to "kind" creates "kindness," which means the state of being kind.

2. Explain the difference between the suffixes -ful and -less. Use the root word "power" in your answer.

The suffix -ful means "full of" and -less means "without." Adding -ful to "power" creates "powerful," meaning full of power. Adding -less creates "powerless," meaning without power.
