

Year 2

Suffixes - ness -ment

ANSWER SHEET

Suffixes are letters that you add on to the end of words to change their meanings. Most words you can just add **-ness** and **-ment** to.

If a root word ends in a **-y**, drop the **y** and add an **i** (e.g. happy - happiness)

If a root word ends in a **-vowel e**, drop the **e** (argue - argument)

Activity 1: Tick the correct box/es in the table below.

Root word	-ment	-ness
sad		✓
excite	✓	
good		✓
equip	✓	
cold		✓

Activity 2: Complete the following table using what you know about **ment/ness**.

Some have been done for you 😊

Suffix word	Root word
<u>illness</u>	ill
en <u>joyment</u>	enjoy
dark <u>ness</u>	dark
movement	<u>move</u>

Suffix word	Root word
<u>assortment</u>	assort
lonel <u>iness</u>	lonely
happiness	<u>happy</u>
<u>punishment</u>	punish

**Activity 3:** Complete the following sentences using the correct suffix (ness/ment)

1. Doing regular exercise will improve your **fitness** (fit).
2. If you want to buy a car, you must make a **payment** (pay).
3. I was awarded Star of the Week because of my **kindness** (kind) towards others.
4. My pet had an **illness** (ill) so the Vet gave him some **treatment** (treat) to make him better.

**Challenge:**

Now you have learnt all the suffixes for Year 2, can you add the correct suffix to the following words? A little tip, some may have more than one, just like the example that has been done for you 😊

*Remember to try putting your word in a sentence to check it makes sense.*

hope beauty excite sad glad happy help hand pain equip

-ly	-ful	-less	-ness	-ment
greatly sadly gladly happily	hopeful beautiful helpful handful painful	hopeless helpless painless	greatness sadness gladness happiness	excitement equipment