

Vocabulary Strategy

SUFFIXES

A **suffix** is a word part that appears at the end of a root or base word. A suffix often changes the base word's part of speech.

Suffixes	Meanings
-er, -or	person or thing that
-ance, -ence, -ion, -tion, -ation	act or condition of

A. Directions: Underline the base word in each boldfaced word. Then use your knowledge of the word and the information in the chart to write the meaning of the boldfaced word.

1. The **generator** provided us with electricity. _____
2. Our **discussion** ended in agreement. _____
3. We took notes on each **occurrence**. _____
4. Use the bottle **opener** carefully. _____
5. The twins' **resemblance** is amazing. _____

B. Directions: Make a new word by adding one of the suffixes listed above. Use a dictionary if you need to.

6. introduce _____
7. act _____
8. write _____
9. assist _____
10. concentrate _____
11. absent _____