# Year 4 Word Families – Guidance for Parents/Carers

## **Activity:**

The aim of this activity is for children to practise identifying word families. There are three questions to complete. The first two questions allow children to practise the skill, while the third question extends them as they have to apply their learning to get the answer.

# **Vocabulary:**

A root word is basic word that has not been changed by a prefix or a suffix.

A suffix is a group of letters that is added to the end of a root word, changing or adding to its meaning. Suffixes can show if a word is a noun, an adjective, an adverb or a verb. For example, the suffix –er changes the verb 'teach' to the noun 'teacher'.

Word families describe groups of words that share a common feature or pattern. Usually, word families share a common root word.

#### Other resources:

If your child enjoyed this activity and wants to try more activities linked to this learning, you can sign up for £4.83 per month on classroomsecrets.co.uk/membership.

Check out our daily timetable for Year 4 home learning activities on kids.classroomsecrets.co.uk >> Home Learning Timetable.



### **Word Families**

- 1. happily; happiest; happiness
- 2. using; useful; used. The root word is 'use'.
- 3. lovely loved; suggestion suggesting; readiness ready; serving served