

Year 5 Adding '-ate', '-ise' and '-ify' – Guidance for Parents/Carers

Worksheet:

The aim of this activity is for children to practise adding the suffixes '-ate', '-ise' and '-ify' to root words. There are a number of questions to complete. The first four questions allow children to practise the skill, while the next two questions extend 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'.

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1. sympathise, fortunate, purify
2. beautify
3. 'Formula' becomes 'formulate', which is a verb.
- 4.

Root word	+ -ise	+ -ify	+ -ate
simple	simplise	simplify	simplate
improve	improvise	improvify	imprevate
energy	energise	energify	energate

5. glory and electric

The suffix '-ify' cannot be added to the other words. Adding the suffixes '-ate' or '-ise' to the other words will create the following: energise, agonise, captivate and improvise.

6. Yes, she is correct because the suffix '-ise' can be added to the words 'memory' and 'immune' to create a new word, but you cannot add it to the word 'active'.