English Prefixes and Suffixes Activity 3

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| Today we are learning:   * To use the suffix **ful** | |
| Success Criteria | Tick |
| I know what the suffix **ful** means. |  |
| I know how to use the suffix **ful**. |  |

**What are suffixes?**

A **suffix** is a letter or group of letters that goes on the end of a **root word** and **changes** the word’s meaning. Some suffixes have specific purposes. Adding **‘ing’** can change a **simple present tense** into a **continuous present tense**, for example ‘run’ to ‘running’. While **‘ed’** can change a **verb** to **past tense**, for example ‘jump’ become ‘jumped’.

Underline the **suffix** in the words below.

1. careless

2. hopeless

3. useless

Like the suffix -**less**, the suffix -**ful** is added to the end of a **root word**. When the suffix **-ful** is added to a **noun** it changes the **noun** into a **adjective**. By adding the suffix **-ful** we are saying that the word is “full of”. For example, **careful** means **full of care.**

Can you add the suffix **-less** to the end of these words to make new ones?

1. thank \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. thought \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. pain \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. wonder \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. stress \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What other words can you think of?

Have a go at writing three of your own sentence that contains one of the words below.

thoughtful wonderful thankful

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