

To identify and use suffixes

Group 1: Change these adjective root words into comparative and superlatives (add er and est)

small kind strong tall hard

Now try to write a sentence with them in.

Group 2: Choose a suffix to add to these words. Write a sentence for each one:

comfort care child neighbour bore

glad nice cheer hope thought -hood

-less-like-est-ship-ful-er-dom-able-ish-ing-ness

Suffixes

The words all have suffixes. Suffixes are letters that can be added to a root word.

eg: frost **y** How does the suffix
quick**ly** change the word?
friend**ly**

All these are suffixes: can you think of any word roots they belong too?

-ful -able -ness
-less
-like -est -er -ing
-dom
-hood -ship -ish

-less What suffix could you add to these words?
-like (Sometimes there might be more than one)
-hood Care
-est Soft
-ship Friend
-ful Pain
-er
-dom
-able
-ish
-ing
-ness

-er and -est

We can use **-er** to compare things (comparative)

eg: The cat is **faster** than the mouse.

We can use **-est** to say something is the most of everything else (superlative)

eg: London is the **biggest** city in England.

other examples: high higher highest

slow slower slowest

safe safer safest

cold colder coldest

