**Common Suffixes**

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| **Suffix** | **Definition** | **Example** |
| -able, -ible | is; can be | affordable, sensible |
| -al, -ial | having characteristics of | universal, facial |
| -ed | past tense verbs; adjectives | the dog walked, the walked dog |
| -en | made of | golden |
| -er, -or | one who; person connected with | teacher, professor |
| -er | more | taller |
| -est | the most | tallest |
| -ful | full of | helpful |
| -ic | having characteristics of | poetic |
| -ing | verb forms;present participles | sleeping |
| -ion, -tion, -ation, -ition | act; process | submission, motion,Relation, edition |
| -ity, -ty | state of | activity, society |
| -ive, -ative, -itive | adjective form of noun | active, comparative, sensitive |
| -less | without | hopeless |
| -ly | how something is | lovely |
| -ment | state of being; act of | contentment |
| -ness | state of; condition of | openness |
| -ous, -eous, -ious | having qualities of | riotous, courageous, gracious |
| -s, -es | more than one | trains, trenches |
| -y | characterized by | gloomy |

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