

HOMEWORK

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Suffix 'ably', 'ibly'

The word endings 'ably' and 'ibly' can sound similar and are often confused.

- A **suffix** is a letter or letters added to the end of a word to make another word.
- The suffixes 'ably/ibly' form adverbs from verbs.
- The suffix 'ably' is much more common than 'ibly'.
- **Verbs** are doing or action words (run, jump, shout).
- **Adverbs** help describe verbs (run *quickly*, shout *loudly*).

<i>(list 5:10)</i>	Practise 1 <i>(copy into space)</i>	Practise 2 <i>(fold and hide)</i>	Can spell word <i>(check and correct)</i>
Spelling tip:	<i>If the root word ends in 'e' it is often dropped before adding the suffix 'ably' (adore/adorably).</i>		
<i>believably</i>			
<i>admirably</i>			
<i>adorably</i>			
<i>arguably</i>			
<i>presumably</i>			

Spelling tip:	<i>The suffix 'ably' often leaves a recognisable root when dropped (comfortably/comfort).</i>		
<i>bearably</i>			
<i>agreeably</i>			
<i>avoidably</i>			
<i>affordably</i>			
<i>adjustably</i>			

Spelling tip:	<i>'ibly' is much less common than 'ably'. Dropping the suffix often only leaves a stem (visibly/vis).</i>		
<i>terribly</i>			
<i>sensibly</i>			
<i>incredibly</i>			
<i>visibly</i>			
<i>possibly</i>			