

Suffix 'ant'

Can you think of any other words with the same pattern?

Be careful as it is easy to write a word which ends in -ent, not ant.

vacant

compliant

If the suffix follows a hard 'c' or 'g' it is
'ant'

elegant

reliant

Words derived from verbs ending 'y'
use the suffix 'ant'

significant

hesitant

If there is a related word with a long 'a'
in the same place use 'ant'

arrogant

tolerant

applicant

defiant

Some challenges for you!

Look at one of the words for 10 seconds. Close your eyes/look away and answer the following questions:

- How many letters does the word have?
- How many vowels does it have?
- Which vowels are in the word? Not in the word?
- How many consonants in the word?
- Which consonants are in the word? Not in the word?
- How many letters with descenders? Ascenders?
- Which letter is first alphabetically? Last?
- Write it on a piece of paper!
- Spell it backwards on your piece of paper!

Repeat for each spelling! How many could you remember?

Work out the value of each word.

WORD	VALUE
compliant	$3 + 15 + 13 + 16 + 12$ $+ 9 + 1 + 14 + 20 =$ 103
significant	
dominant	
applicant	
expectant	
reliant	

A = 1

B = 2

C = 3

D = 4

E = 5

F = 6

G = 7

H = 8

I = 9

J = 10

K = 11

L = 12

M = 13

N = 14

O = 15

P = 16

Q = 17

R = 18

S = 19

T = 20

U = 21

V = 22

W = 23

X = 24

Y = 25

Z = 26

Can you put the following words into your own sentences?

vacant *elegant* *hesitant* *tolerant* *arrogant* *defiant*
