

Read the spelling words and sentences.**-able**

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1. peaceable

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2. inflexible

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3. disposable

disposable

4. manageable

manageable

5. unmanageable

unmanageable

6. sociable

sociable

7. unsociable

unsociable

8. admissible

admissible

9. honorable

honorable

10. inadvisable

inadvisable

11. irresponsible

irresponsible

12. accountable

accountable

13. hospitable

hospitable

14. inaccessible

inaccessible

15. irreplaceable

irreplaceable

16. irreversible

irreversible

17. knowledgeable

knowledgeable

18. unimaginable

unimaginable

19. commendable

commendable

20. interchangeable

*interchangeable*My pets are both **peaceable**.Are the rules **inflexible**?Paper napkins are **disposable**.The problem was **manageable**.He tamed the **unmanageable** horse.She is friendly and **sociable**.A shy person can seem **unsociable**.Is it **admissible** to park here?We praised his **honorable** behavior.Swimming alone is **inadvisable**.The prank was **irresponsible**.We are **accountable** for our actions.They are **hospitable** toward guests.The road is **inaccessible** now.The antique cup is **irreplaceable**.Her final decision is **irreversible**.He is **knowledgeable** about sports.Is snow in July **unimaginable**?He has many **commendable** traits.These car tires are **interchangeable**.**Think & Sort** the spelling words.1–15. Write the words that end with the suffix **-able**.16–20. Write the words that end with the suffix **-ible**.**Remember**The suffixes **-able** and **-ible** are added to roots or base words to form adjectives.**Spelling
Tutor**

Word Meanings

Write the spelling word for each definition.

1. not inclined to be friendly
2. difficult to manage
3. fond of company
4. allowable
5. entitled to respect
6. receptive to guests
7. impossible to imagine

Word Structure

Write the spelling word formed by adding the suffix **-able** to each word.

8. knowledge
9. account
10. dispose
11. peace
12. interchange
13. manage
14. commend

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- 15–20. The prefix **in-** changes to **ir-** when added to words beginning with **r**. Write the spelling words that contain the prefix **in-** (**ir-**) meaning "not." (Be careful. The prefix **inter-** means "between.") Circle the prefix in each word you write. Use a print or online dictionary to check your work.

Connections to READING

peaceable	inflexible	unimaginable	irresponsible	inadvisable
sociable	unsociable	interchangeable	manageable	disposable
hospitable	inaccessible	unmanageable	irreplaceable	accountable
honorable	irreversible	knowledgeable	commendable	admissible

Replace the Words

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Answer the Questions

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Use Context Clues

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Replace the Words

Write the word that best replaces the underlined word or words below.

1. They came to an agreement that was calm and peaceful.
2. At first we thought he was unfriendly, but he was just timid.
3. Although summer is difficult, you will find it possible to manage.
4. Police say it is not recommended to drive on the icy roads.
5. Your final decision will be incapable of being changed back.
6. Dogs are not allowable in the movie theater.
7. The mayor praised the students for their praiseworthy behavior.
8. Police officers have an admirable profession.
9. The baker uses a mixing machine with exchangeable parts.
10. Neglecting to feed a pet is untrustworthy and undependable.

Answer the Questions

Write the spelling word that best answers each question.

11. What kind of plate do you throw away after you use it once?
12. How would you describe a box beyond your reach?
13. How would you describe a family heirloom that was broken?
14. What kind of sailboat is impossible to manage?
15. What kind of family is happy to welcome others into its home?

Use Context Clues

Write spelling words from the box to complete the paragraph.

In 1883, an 16. event occurred in professional baseball. A batter hit the ball, and then in his excitement he ran toward third base. Spurred on by what he thought was encouragement from the fans, he ran all the way home. Anyone 17. about baseball knows that the rule is 18.. Runners are held 19. for touching the bases in the correct order, so the runner was out. No doubt, he did not feel very 20. after that incident.

knowledgeable
accountable
unimaginable
inflexible
sociable

Proofread a Letter to the Editor

Proofread the letter to the editor below for ten misspelled words. Then rewrite it. Write the spelling words correctly and make the corrections indicated by the proofreading marks.

To the editor:

I am in support of the commendible plan to create a more open and peacable existence for animals at our city Zoo. We have come a long way from the irresponsable practice of keeping animals in bare cages with ~~with~~ concrete floors, but more can be done. We are acountable for creating a managable environment in which creatures live as they do in the wild. Our zoo should not only entertain but also help visitors become more knowledgeable about how animals live in their natural habitats. I personally would find life without our city zoo unimagineable. Our animal friends are irriplaceable; ~~Let's~~ do the honorable thing by making their environment as hospitable as possible.

Fred Marchione, Springfield

Proofreading Marks

≡	Make Uppercase
/	Make Lowercase
^	Add
~	Delete
◉	Add a Period
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Argument Writing

Write a Letter to the Editor

Writing a letter to the editor is an opportunity for readers to air their views on an issue. Write a letter to the editor of your local newspaper. Support your opinion with facts or reasons. Be direct and specific.

- State your opinion in the first sentence.
- Make sure the reasons for your opinion are logical. Include relevant facts and details to support your opinion.
- Use complete sentences with correct capitalization, punctuation, grammar, and spelling.
- Read your letter. Circle three words that may be misspelled. Use a print or electronic dictionary to check the spelling.

Transfer

Think of three more persuasive words that contain the suffixes **-able** and **-ible**.

Write the words in alphabetical order in your Spelling Journal. Circle the suffix in each word.

Extend & Transfer

Word Study

Meaning Mastery

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admissible
irreversible
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inaudible
gullible
pliable
affable

admirable
peaceable
honorable
inaccessible
unsociable
irreplaceable
disreputable
inevitable
accountable

disagreeable
manageable
irresponsible
interchangeable
unmanageable
knowledgeable
indescribable
commendable
immeasurable

incredible
sociable
hospitable
inflexible
inadvisable
unimaginable
susceptible
indelible
discernible

Use words from the list above to complete these exercises.

Meaning Mastery

1. Write the word that comes from a Latin word meaning "host."
2. Write the word that comes from a Latin word meaning "believe."
3. Write the word that comes from a Latin word meaning "to hear."

4–11. Write the words pairs that are antonyms.

Write the word that is a synonym for each word below.

12. allowable
13. indelible
14. exchangeable
15. naïve
16. sociable

Base Words

17–20. Write the words in which **-ible** is added to a base word and the base word's spelling does not change.

Science

Word Hunt

Read the passage below and look for words with the suffix **-able** or **-ible**.

It may seem incredible, even unimaginable, but spider silk is one of the strongest materials on earth. It is tougher than Kevlar, the material used in bulletproof vests, and it is stronger than steel. Engineers and scientists are trying to figure out how to make it.

A reputable biotech company in Canada is getting close. After an immeasurable number of experiments, researchers have produced artificial spider silk by inserting the silk-making gene of orb-weaving spiders into the genome of goats. The milk from the goats contains the same proteins as spider silk. Another team of researchers in Massachusetts has developed a spinning technique in which they squeeze the proteins through a tiny tube that shapes the material into a thin fiber. The fiber is thinner than a human hair but still discernible to the naked eye.

The knowledgeable researchers say the artificial silk is about three times more pliable, or elastic, than natural spider silk, but it is not quite as strong. The ultimate goal is to produce a material that is even stronger. Such a material would be suitable for a variety of applications, including artificial tendons and ligaments, sutures, biodegradable fishing line, bulletproof vests, parachute cords (especially advisable for dropping tanks or other heavy objects), and cables used to help stop planes when they land on aircraft carriers.

Researchers are also experimenting with inserting the silk-making gene into alfalfa plants. This could lead to a cheap, environmentally friendly way to manufacture the artificial spider silk.

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WORD SORT

Find and write words in which

1–2. -ible has been added to a root or base word.

3–10. -able has been added to a root or base word. Circle the words if the spelling of the base word changed when the suffix was added.