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-er

-est



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want	-ed	just add -ed	wanted
high			
sad			
live			
walk			
dry			
start			
smile			
remain			
echo			
listen			

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follow			
weep			
sad			
bright			
block			
fail			
sudden			
talk			
scorch			
dance			
celebrate			

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Adding Suffixes Example Answers

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high	-er	just add -er	higher
	-est	just add -est	highest
sad	-est	double the final consonant	saddest
	-er		sadder
live	-ed	drop the 'e'	lived
walk	-ed	just add -ed	walked
dry	-ed	change the 'y' to an 'i'	dried
	-er		drier
	-est		driest
start	-ed	just add -ed	started
smile	-ed	drop the 'e'	smiled
remain	-ed	just add -ed	remained
echo	-ed	just add -ed	echoed
listen	-ed	just add -ed	listened

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chase	-ing	drop the 'e'	chasing
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weep	-ing	just add -ing	weeping
sad	-ness	just add -ness	sadness
	-ly	just add -ly	sadly
bright	-ly	just add -ly	brightly
	-ness	just add -ness	
block	-ing	just add -ing	blocking
fail	-ing	just add -ing	failing
sudden	-ly	just add -ly	suddenly
	-ness	just add -ness	suddenness
talk	-ing	just add -ing	talking
scorch	-ing	just add -ing	scorching
dance	-ing	drop the 'e'	dancing
celebrate	-ing	drop the 'e'	celebrating