**When to Double? Spelling when adding a past tense suffix**

As you know, the regular way of forming the past tense of verbs in English is to add -*ed* to a verb root.

treat + -*ed* = treated

root + affix = past tense

Sometimes, however, the spelling changes when the past tense suffix is added.

1. Give the plural form of these words:

admit

commit

refer

What is the rule of past tense spelling based on these words?

2. When we look at more data, we may need to add another rule. What is the past tense form of these words?

inherit

target

visit

3. And when the word is only a single syllable, what is the past tense form?

stop

tap

sob

4. And finally, what is the past tense form of these words?

treat

wheel

pour

Write a rule to explain the spelling pattern.