

## English Noun Suffixes with Sample Words

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suffix	parts of speech	sample words	other words?
-age	verb + age = noun	marriage, blockage	
-al	verb + al = noun	arrival, renewal	
-ant	verb + ant = noun	triumphant, attractant	
-ance/-ence	verb + a/ence = noun	convergence, divergence	
-ee	verb + ee = noun	employee, referee	
-hood	noun + ness = noun	neighborhood, childhood	
-ion	verb + ion = noun	fermentation, starvation	
-ism	noun + ism = noun	racism, Buddhism	
-ist	adjective + ist = noun	artist, violinist	
-ity	adjective + ity = noun	probability, fluidity	
-ness	adjective + ness = noun	baldness, happiness	
-ship	noun + ship = noun	friendship, partnership	