

Suffix -age

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Nouns with suffix -age with <a> as unstressed, short <i>

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[Figure1]

Normally after stressed long vowels and consonants, [j] is spelled <g> and after stressed short vowels it is spelled <dg>. Usually after an unstressed vowel, [j] is spelled <g>. Very often it is in the suffix -age, which forms nouns, usually (but not always) from verbs.

Examples

Here is an example of how a verb + age = a noun:

pack + *age* = *package*

verb + *age* = noun

Review

Combine the following stems and suffixes to form nouns. Show any changes:

Stem	+ Suffix	= Noun
1. pack	+ age	= <i>package</i>
2. drain	+ age	=
3. break	+ age	=
4. wreck	+ age	=
5. pass	+ age	=
6. carry	+ age	=

Stem + Suffix = Noun

7. store	+ age	=
8. dose	+ age	=
9. percent	+ age	=

Try some the other way around. Notice that not all the stems in this group are verbs:

Noun = Stem + Suffix

10. package	= <i>pack</i>	+ <i>age</i>
11. carriage	=	+
12. luggage	=	+
13. percentage	=	+
14. dosage	=	+
15. roughage	=	+
16. yardage	=	+
17. postage	=	+
18. storage	=	+
19. passage	=	+
20. baggage	=	+

The suffix *-age* is often added to bound stems. Add *-age* to each of the following bound stems to form a noun:

Bound Stem Noun: Bound Stem +age

21. advant	<i>advantage</i>
22. aver	
23. dam	
24. encour	
25. foli	
26. langu	
27. mess	
28. sav	
29. vill	
30. voy	

Review (Answers)

Stem + Suffix = Noun

1. pac	+ age	= <i>package</i>
2. drain	+ age	= <i>drainage</i>
3. break	+ age	= <i>breakage</i>
4. wreck	+ age	= <i>wreckage</i>
5. pass	+ age	= <i>passage</i>
6. carr y + i	+ age	= <i>carriage</i>
7. stor e	+ age	= <i>storage</i>
8. dos e	+ age	= <i>dosage</i>
9. percent	+ age	= <i>percentage</i>

Noun = Stem + Suffix

10. package	= <i>pack</i>	+ <i>age</i>
11. carriage	= <i>carr</i> y + i	+ <i>age</i>
12. luggage	= <i>lug</i> + <i>g</i>	+ <i>age</i>
13. percentage	= <i>percent</i>	+ <i>age</i>
14. dosage	= <i>dos</i> e	+ <i>age</i>
15. roughage	= <i>rough</i>	+ <i>age</i>
16. yardage	= <i>yard</i>	+ <i>age</i>
17. postage	= <i>post</i>	+ <i>age</i>
18. storage	= <i>stor</i> e	+ <i>age</i>
19. passage	= <i>pass</i>	+ <i>age</i>
20. baggage	= <i>bag</i> + <i>g</i>	+ <i>age</i>

Bound Stem Noun: Bound Stem +age

21. advant	<i>advantage</i>
22. aver	<i>average</i>
23. dam	<i>damage</i>
24. encour	<i>encourage</i>
25. foli	<i>foliage</i>
26. langu	<i>language</i>
27. mess	<i>message</i>
28. sav	<i>savage</i>

Bound Stem Noun: Bound Stem +age

29. vill

village

30. voy

voyage

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