Convert Nouns or Adjectives into Verbs Using Suffix -ate



This week, we are starting to look at how nouns and adjective root words can be changed into verbs using suffixes.

We are going to start by concentrating on using the suffix -ate.

Can you guess what -ate words these are? Click to find out the answers.



-ate suffix words can be created by:

- simply adding the -ate suffix to a noun or adjective root word, e.g.
 carbon (noun) → carbonate (verb);
- removing the 'e' from the end of noun or adjective root word before adding -ate, e.g.
 vaccine (noun) -> vaccinate (verb);
- changing an -ation noun to an -ate verb, e.g.
 hibernation (noun) → hibernate (verb);
- or sometimes the root word itself changes and you just have to learn that particular spelling, e.g. pollen (noun) → pollinate (verb).

Can you identify the real –ate suffix verbs within the grid to break Mr Whoops out of jail? Use a dictionary if you need to.



Click the correct spelling words on the screen to lift the bars from the jail that Mr Whoops is held in.

pollenate activeate communicate advertate elasticate pollinate classicate motivate realate hyphenate visualate terrorate comunicate noticate captivate activate alienate medicate validate captiveate



Here are your spelling words for this week.

Can you see how each of the -ate words has been created?

Do you know what they all mean?

Look up definitions for all of the words and add them to your spellings sheet.

How many spellings can you learn over the course of the week?

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