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2. The little girl ____________ ate all the sweets.

3. The pirates buried the ____________ on a desert island.

4. The Roman ____________ of Britain began in 55 BC.

5. Lions are ____________ animals.
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The suffix –ation
Words where the suffix –ation is added usually tell an action, process or result. –ation can sometimes be added directly to the root word, for example:

- expect + ation = expectation

However, on other occasions, the root word may need to be changed, such as:

- circulate + ation = circulation

Here, the final ‘e’ has been dropped to add the suffix –ation.

The suffix –ly
Here are a list of rules that your child will need to be secure in to be able to add –ly to root words.

a) –ly can often be added directed to the end of the word, such as:

- quick + ly = quickly or brave + ly = bravely

b) For words ending in ‘y’ and with more than one syllable, you need to change the final ‘y’ to an ‘i’ before adding the suffix.

- wasy + ly = easily or angry + ly = angrily

c) If the root word ends in –le, you just replace the ‘e’ for a ‘y’. For example:

- simple + ly = simply or horrible + ly = horribly
d) If the root word ends in ‘ic’, you add ‘ally’ and if the root word ends in ‘al’, you add -ly to the end of the word. For example:

   dramatic + ly = dramatically
   comical + ly = comically

e) Some words are exceptions to the rules when adding the suffix -ly and just need to be learnt separately, such as:

   daily, wholly, truly, duly, coyly, shyly, dryly, fully and slyly.

Words with endings sounding like /ʒə/ or /tʃə/
The sounds /ʒə/ or /tʃə/ are spelt ‘sure’ and ‘ture’. Children are expected to be able to identify this sound and spell it correctly in words such as:

   closure, erasure, leisure, measure, treasure, enclosure, fissure, adventure, creature, fixture, future, mixture, nature, picture.

Endings that sound like /ʒən/
The /ʒən/ sound is spelt ‘sion’. It is found in the following words:

   collision, confusion, conclusion, corrosion, decision, division, explosion, inclusion, invasion, occasion, transfusion

The suffix –ous
When adding the suffix –ous to words, there are several rules your child will need to know in order to spell these words correctly. These are:

a) Sometimes just add –ous to the root word:

   hazard + ous = hazardous or glutton + ous = gluttonous

b) If the root word ends in ‘y’, it must be changed to an ‘i’.

   fury + ous = furious or mystery + ous = mysterious

c) If the root word ends in ‘our’, it changes to ‘or’ before the –ous.

   glamour + ous = glamorous or vapour + ous = vaporous

There will be some words that don’t follow these words which your child will have learnt individually at school.