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WEEK 14 • LEVEL C SPELLING LIST

15 Words + Homophones

1 Orthographic Handwriting Practice: Read each word aloud, observe the suffix patterns, and write it cleanly twice.

ACADEMIC ROOTS & PREFIX		(WORDS 1-5)		SUFFIX <-ENT> WORDS		(WORDS 6-10)		SUFFIX <-ENCE> WORDS		(WORDS 11-15)	
1	mu•sic			6	ben•e•fit			11	dif•er•ence		
2	mis•pell			7	dif•fer•ent			12	in•de•pend•ence		
3	mag•a•zine			8	pa•tient			13	ref•er•ence		
4	light•ning			9	in•tel•li•gent			14	ex•ist•ence		
5	o•pin•ion			10	in•de•pend•ent			15	con•ve•ni•ent		

2 Morphology & Suffix Sorting: Group the 15 words according to their suffix forms and morphological patterns.

SUFFIX <-ENT> (5 WORDS)	SUFFIX <-ENCE> (4 WORDS)	DOUBLE INTRO + PREFIX (2 WORDS)	ACADEMIC ROOTS (4 WORDS)
1.	1.	1.	1.
2.	2.	2.	2.
3.	3.		3.
4.	4.		4.
5.			

3 Homophone Distinctions: Distinguish between patience and patients in context.

Pair: patience (calm endurance) • patients (persons under medical care)

- a. The caring doctor had several new _____ waiting in the hospital lobby.
- b. Learning complex scientific concepts requires steady practice, focus, and great _____.

RULES TO REMEMBER • WEEK 14

Rule 1 • Base in <-ent> Uses <-ence> If a base word ends in <-ent>, the noun form uses <-ence> (different → difference, independent → independence).

Rule 3 • Latin Suffixes <-ent> / <-ence> -ent forms adjectives/nouns, while -ence forms state or quality nouns (*reference, existence, convenient*).

Rule 2 • Double Intro Rule When adding a prefix to a base beginning with the same letter with which the prefix ends, the letter remains doubled (*mis•spell*).

Rule 4 • Homophone Distinction Distinguish homophones: *patience* (virtue of calm waiting) vs. *patients* (medical clients).

WEEK 14 • LEVEL C • LINGUISTIC KEY & GUIDE

Latin Suffixes <-ent> / <-ence> • Double Intro Prefix Rule • Homophone Pairs

Answer Key & Dictation

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Linguistic & Morphological Decomposition Table:

#	Word	Pronunciation / IPA	Structure	Morphological & Spelling Notes
1	mu•sic	myoo'zɪk / 'mju:.zɪk/	mu • sic	Open syllable mu- + closed -sic
2	mis•spell	mɪs-spəl' / ,mɪs 'spɛl/	mis + spell	Double Intro Rule; prefix mis- ends in s, base spell starts with s
3	mag•a•zine	mæg'ə-zēn / ,mæg.ə 'zi:n/	mag • a • zine	3 syllables; -ine says /ēn/ with silent-e
4	light•ning	lɪt'niŋ / 'laɪt.nɪŋ/	light • ning	Base light (with igh) + -ning
5	o•pin•ion	ə-pɪn'yən / ə 'pɪn.jən/	o • pin • ion	Schwa o- + pin- + -ion
6	ben•e•fit	bən'ə-fɪt / 'ben.ə.fɪt/	ben • e • fit	3 short syllables ben- + -e- + -fit
7	dif•fer•ent	dɪf'ər-ənt / 'dɪf.ər.ənt/	dif • fer • ent	Prefix dif- + -fer- + suffix -ent
8	dif•fer•ence	dɪf'ər-əns / 'dɪf.ər.əns/	dif • fer • ence	Base in -ent forms abstract noun in -ence
9	pa•tient	pə'shənt / 'peɪ.jənt/	pa • tient	ti says /sh/; homophone with patients
10	in•tel•li•gent	ɪn-təl'ə-jənt / ɪn 'tɛl.i.dʒənt/	in • tel • li • gent	Doubled l; soft g before e; suffix -ent
11	in•de•pend•ent	ɪn'di-pən'dənt / ,ɪn.dɪ'pɛn.dənt/	in • de • pend • ent	Prefixes in- + de- + pend + suffix -ent
12	in•de•pend•ence	ɪn'di-pən'dəns / ,ɪn.dɪ'pɛn.dəns/	in • de • pend • ence	Base in -ent forms abstract noun in -ence
13	ref•er•ence	rɛf'ər-əns / 'rɛf.ər.əns/	ref • er • ence	Base refer + noun suffix -ence
14	ex•ist•ence	ɛg-zɪs'təns / ɪg 'zɪs.təns/	ex • ist • ence	Base exist + noun suffix -ence
15	con•ve•ni•ent	kən-vən'yənt / kən 'vi:n.jənt/	con • ve • ni • ent	Prefix con- + ve- + -ni- + suffix -ent
H	patience	pə'shəns / 'peɪ.jəns/	pa • tience	Quiet endurance; homophone with patients
H	patients	pə'shənts / 'peɪ.jənts/	pa • tients	Plural of patient (medical); homophone with patience

EXERCISE 2 & 3 VERIFICATION KEY

SUFFIX <-ENT>	SUFFIX <-ENCE>	DOUBLE INTRO • PREFIX	ACADEMIC ROOTS
different patient intelligent independent convenient	difference independence reference existence	misspell benefit	music magazine lightning opinion

Exercise 3 Homophones Key: a. patients (medical) • b. patience (virtue)

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Decodable Dictation Sentences: Read each sentence clearly, focusing on <-ent>/<-ence> pairs and prefix integrity.

Sentence 1 (convenient, reference, misspell) "It is convenient to keep a good reference dictionary so you do not misspell words."	Sentence 2 (intelligent, difference) "The intelligent scientist noticed a clear difference between the two test results."
Sentence 3 (music, lightning, magazine) "He read an interesting article about music and lightning in the monthly magazine."	Sentence 4 (opinion, patience, patients) "In my opinion, the doctor showed remarkable patience while examining her patients."