

# Vocabulary

## Crazy Eights! Suffixes

### Set 2

This Really Good Stuff® product includes:

- 64 Crazy Eights! Suffix Playing Cards
- This Really Good Stuff® Activity Guide

All activity guides can be found online:

© 2009 Really Good Stuff® 1-800-366-1920

[www.reallygoodstuff.com](http://www.reallygoodstuff.com) #303365

Made in Guangzhou, China

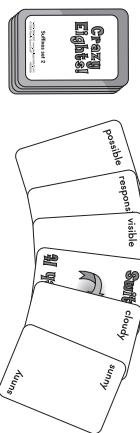
Congratulations on your purchase of Really Good Stuff® **Crazy Eights!**

**Suffixes**—a fun and exciting way for students to build vocabulary and practice their word-attack skills.

With **Crazy Eights! Suffixes**, students can play games that will help them read words with six of the most frequently occurring suffixes. Through repeated play, students will learn to identify common suffixes, decode longer words, and apply their word-attack skills in a fun environment. **Crazy Eights! Suffixes** is an excellent way to reinforce your advanced word study instruction.

#### Introducing the **Crazy Eights! Suffixes Playing Cards**

Suffix study is an essential part of vocabulary development as it helps students make the connection between spelling and meaning. Like prefixes, suffixes can modify the meaning of base words, but they can also indicate how words are being used. For example, adding a *y* to a noun modifies its function making it an adjective, as in *cloudy*. These clues help students decode longer words and increase fluency



Introduce the **Crazy Eights! Suffix** game to your group by explaining that the deck includes cards with words that have the most common suffixes, eight *Switch It!* Cards, and two *Skip It!* Cards. There are nine word cards for each suffix, giving students repeated exposure to and practice with unlocking the meaning of words with common suffixes. The idea of the game is to match the suffix of the word on the table with that of the players' cards. If that is not possible, students can change it to a different suffix by putting down a *Switch It!* Card. Players must say the suffix and read each word as they put down a card. For example, if the player's card is *cloudy*, the player says, "y, like in cloudy," before putting down the card. This reinforces the chunking of word parts and keeps all students on track.

#### Switch It! and Skip It! Cards

**• Switch It! Cards:** Players use each of the eight *Switch It!* Cards in the deck to change the suffix that needs to be matched. For example, if a player already draws or has a *Switch It!* Card along with enjoyment, agreement, environment, and cheerful in hand, and the top card of the playing pile is *cloudy*, the player can use the *Switch It!* Card to change the suffix that players must match. The player puts down the *Switch It!* Card and the agreement card and players continue by matching the *ment* in *agreement*.

**• Skip It! Cards:** Players use the two *Skip It!* Cards in the deck when they cannot play a word card and do not have a *Switch It!* Card. For example, if a player draws or has a *Skip It!* Card along with four words with the suffix *able*, and the top card on the playing pile is *agreement*, the player can put down the *Skip It!* Card. Play continues using the *agreement* card.

#### Managing Crazy Eights! Suffixes

#### • Copy the Crazy Eights!

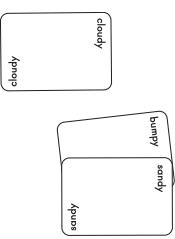
##### Suffixes Game Instructions.

Laminate the instructions for repeated use.

- When using the game at a literacy center, be sure to demonstrate how to store the playing cards and leave the center when the activity is complete.

and reading comprehension. After studying the most frequently occurring suffixes in the first set of **Crazy Eights! Suffixes**, continue the learning with **Set 2 of Crazy Eights! Suffixes**, which features the suffixes *ible*, *able*, *y*, *less*, *ment* and *ness*. Refer to the table at right for a sequence of suffix study and align it with other **Crazy Eights!** games.

Introduce the **Crazy Eights! Suffix** game to your group by explaining that the deck includes cards with words that have the most common suffixes, eight *Switch It!* Cards, and two *Skip It!* Cards. There are nine word cards for each suffix, giving students repeated exposure to and practice with unlocking the meaning of words with common suffixes. The idea of the game is to match the suffix of the word on the table with that of the players' cards. If that is not possible, students can change it to a different suffix by putting down a *Switch It!* Card. Players must say the suffix and read each word as they put down a card. For example, if the player's card is *cloudy*, the player says, "y, like in cloudy," before putting down the card. This reinforces the chunking of word parts and keeps all students on track.



#### Crazy Eights! Suffix Set 1

Suffix	Meaning	Frequency
-ed	used to form past tense	20%
-ing	action or process	14%
-ly	in a specified manner	7%
-er, -or	one who	4%
-ion	state or quality of, result of an act	4%
-able	is, can be	2%
-y	characterized by; full of	1%
-less	without, missing	1%
-ment	state or condition;	1%
-result	result of an action	1%
-ful	full of	1%

Model the game using the instructions below until students are familiar with the rules and procedures, and then allow them to play it at a literacy center. Copy the *Crazy Eights! Suffixes Game Instructions* and make it available at the center. Assign an aide or student volunteer to deal the cards and oversee the game, making sure each player says every word aloud.

### **Crazy Eights! Suffixes Game Instructions**

Two to six players

Object of the game: To use all the cards in your hand by matching suffixes and go out first.

1. Shuffle the deck and deal five cards to each player. Have students read their cards to themselves before the game begins. Decide on the order of play.
2. Place all the remaining cards in a stack facedown in the middle of the table.
3. Turn over the top card and place it faceup next to the Draw pile.
4. The first player reads this card by saying the suffix and then reading the word, for example, “*ment*, like in *agreement*.” If Player 1 has a card that matches the suffix, they place it on top of the pile saying, “*ment*, like in *apartment*.” If the player does not have a card that matches that suffix, he or she draws a new card. If the card picked is a match, Player 1 can put it down; if not, the player can change the suffix being matched. For example, if the playing pile has *apartment* on top and the player has *cheerful*, *careful*, *powerful*, and *hopeless* in hand, a *Switch It!* Card could be used to change the suffix to *ful* as in *cheerful*, and the *cheerful* card becomes the new card on top of the Playing pile.
5. If the player does not have a match but has a *Skip It!* Card, the player can put it down. Play continues using the suffix of the word before the *Skip It!* Card.
6. If the player does not have a match but has a *Switch It!* Card, the player can put it down. Play continues using the suffix of the word before the *Switch It!* Card.
7. Players take turns matching the suffixes and reading the words aloud. If necessary, shuffle the Playing pile, turn it over and continue playing until one player is out of cards.
8. The first player without any cards is the winner.

### **Crazy Eights! Suffix Card List**

<u>ible</u>	<u>able</u>	<u>y</u>	<u>less</u>	<u>ment</u>	<u>ful</u>	<u>Switch It!</u>
possible	acceptable	cloudy	hopeless	enjoyment	cheerful	<i>Switch It!</i>
responsible	reliable	sunny	useless	environment	sorrowful	<i>Switch It!</i>
legible	likable	sandy	careless	apartment	careful	<i>Switch It!</i>
visible	excusable	chilly	powerless	agreement	powerful	<i>Switch It!</i>
audible	transportable	windy	endless	engagement	hopeful	<i>Switch It!</i>
reversible	favorable	grouchy	painless	judgment	fearful	<i>Switch It!</i>
flexible	flammable	sweaty	tasteless	basement	truthful	<i>Switch It!</i>
incredible	reusable	greasy	homeless	government	thoughtful	<i>Switch It!</i>
credible	recyclable	bumpy	cordless	development	respectful	<i>Switch It!</i>

### **Variations:**

- Add difficulty and extend play by including fewer *Switch It!* Cards.
- Have students say if an *e* must be dropped or a consonant doubled when adding a suffix.

### **Extensions**

Add extra oral language practice:

- Select a playing card and read it to your group. Have students, working in pairs, come up with a sentence that uses the targeted word. Have each pair of students take turns sharing their sentences.
- Draw from a Hat – Say and display a suffix from this set of playing cards. Have students pull base words out of a hat and say whether they can make a new word with the base and suffix.

Add extra written practice:

- My Suffix Book – Provide personalized suffix recording books for the students to use for practice and reference.

### **Related Really Good Stuff® Products:**

- Crazy Eights! Prefixes Set 1 (#303348)  
 Crazy Eights! Prefixes Set 2 (#303352)  
 Crazy Eights! Suffixes Set 1 (#303357)  
 Crazy Eights! Greek Roots (#303359)  
 Crazy Eights! Latin Roots (#303354)

