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## Latin and Greek Suffixes: Al/-Ial and -Ion

Many suffixes we use in English originally come from Greek or Latin word endings. The suffix -al/-ial is from Latin meaning relating to. The suffix -ion is from Greek meaning state action, or result. The suffixes often change the way the root word is used, such as from a noun to an adjective. For example, the root elect pick out or choose. Combine elect with -ion, and it becomes the word election. Based on its original meaning, election means choosing action or the process to choose someone for office.

Use the list in the bank to make five different English words out of and -ion. You may add a prefix or change the spelling a little if -al/-ial needed. Write a sentence for each word you make and circle the word you made with the suffix. Be sure to use words for both -al/-ial and -ion.

**Word Bank** attent, betray, creat, descript, infect, invitat, natur, rac, season, trib

1 Sentences:

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## **Answers key**

**Actual answers may vary.**

**1 Student's choice**

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