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Latin and Greek Suffixes: -Arian and -Ous/-Ious/-Eous

Many suffixes we use in English originally come from Greek or Latin word endings. The suffix -arian is from Latin meaning “someone or something related to.” The suffix ous/-ious/-eous is from Latin meaning “having” or “full of.” Suffixes often change the way the root word is used, such as from a noun to an adjective. For example, root adventure is a noun that means “an exciting activity.” Combine the adventure with ous, and it becomes the adjective adventurous. Based on its original meaning, adventurous means “full of exciting activity.”

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

Word Bank agr, court, grac, humor, humanit, myster, nerv, utilit, veget, wonder

1. Sentences:

2.

3.

4.

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Answers key

Actual answers may vary.

1. Sentences:

2.

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