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# The Suffixes -ary, -ery, and -ory

Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Read and Say

### Basic

1. *mystery*
2. *literary*
3. *treachery*
4. *theory*
5. *bravery*
6. *primary*
7. *legendary*
8. *forgery*
9. *cemetery*
10. *elementary*
11. *observatory*
12. *secretary*
13. *nursery*
14. *satisfactory*
15. *imaginary*
16. *vocabulary*
17. *ordinary*
18. *machinery*
19. *boundary*
20. *temporary*

### READ the sentences. SAY each bold word.

He writes the scariest **mystery** stories!  
 Was her book featured in the **literary** reviews?  
 The battle was lost because of his **treachery**.  
 Can you prove your **theory** about the comet?  
 Her **bravery** resulted in lives being saved.  
 My **primary** goal is to graduate with honors.  
 His skill with a basketball is **legendary**.  
 Is the signature a **forgery** or the real thing?  
 My relatives are buried in this **cemetery**.  
 We learned the **elementary** dance steps first.  
 Scientists study the skies at an **observatory**.  
 A **secretary** should be a good typist.  
 The baby can have my room as a **nursery**.  
 Did I do a **satisfactory** job cutting the grass?  
 The unicorn is an **imaginary** animal.  
 The **vocabulary** in this law book is difficult.  
 Nothing unusual happens on an **ordinary** day.  
 The **machinery** runs better after it is oiled.  
 A fence marks the **boundary** of our land.  
 I have a **temporary** job during vacation.

### -ary

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### -ery

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### -ory

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**Spelling Strategy** When you hear the final  $|\text{ə rē}|$  sounds in a word, think of the spelling patterns *ary*, *ery*, and *ory*. When you hear the final  $|\text{ēr'ē}|$  sounds, think of the patterns *ary* and *ery*.

### Think and Write

 Write each Basic Word under its suffix.

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| <b>Review</b> | 23. horror   |
| 21. weapon    | 24. threat   |
| 22. disguise  | 25. innocent |

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| <b>Challenge</b> | 28. derogatory     |
| 26. preliminary  | 29. itinerary      |
| 27. contemporary | 30. discriminatory |

## Independent Practice

**Vocabulary: Using Context** Write the Basic Word that completes each sentence. Use your Spelling Dictionary.

1. A good \_\_\_\_\_ novel keeps the reader guessing until the end.
2. Investigators found clues among the toys in the \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The detective questioned everyone who was using a telescope in the \_\_\_\_\_ on the night the astronomer vanished.
4. The chief inspector found an important piece of evidence lodged in the \_\_\_\_\_ that operated the drawbridge.
5. When not typing and filing, a detective's \_\_\_\_\_ may be helping to gather evidence.
6. I waited in the \_\_\_\_\_, crouched behind a crumbling tombstone.
7. Of the three people with motives, which is the \_\_\_\_\_ suspect?
8. *Motive* is an important word in any mystery writer's \_\_\_\_\_.
9. When Miss Jane Marple has a hunch about a crime, she usually keeps her \_\_\_\_\_ to herself.
10. Detective Frome solved so many cases that his work is \_\_\_\_\_.
11. The signature on the contract was a \_\_\_\_\_.
12. That \_\_\_\_\_ magazine often publishes mystery stories.

**Vocabulary: Synonyms** Write the Basic Word that has the same meaning as each word below. Use your Spelling Dictionary.

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| 13. passing  | 17. fundamental |
| 14. unreal   | 18. edge        |
| 15. usual    | 19. adequate    |
| 16. betrayal | 20. courage     |

**Challenge Words** Write the Challenge Word that matches each definition. Use your Spelling Dictionary.

21. current; modern
22. showing preference or prejudice; biased
23. scornful; harshly critical
24. leading up to or preparing for the main event
25. a schedule of places to be visited on a journey



### Using Context

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### Synonyms

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### Challenge Words

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**Code Breaker**

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**Modular Words**

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**Review: Spelling Spree**

**Code Breaker** The Basic and Review Words below have been written in code. Use the following code key to figure out each word. Write the decoded words correctly.

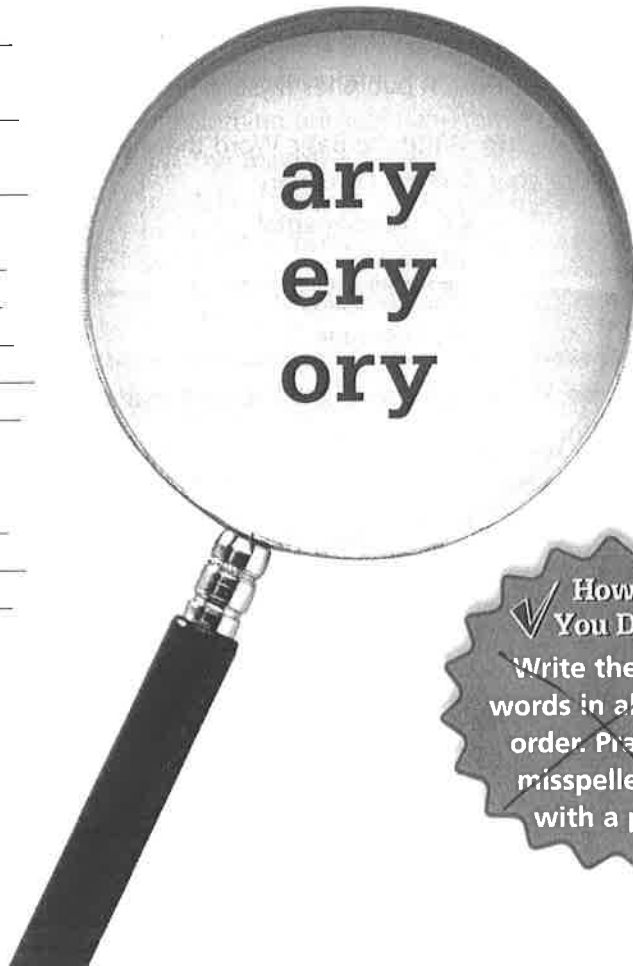
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LETTER:	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z

**Example:** cksylkp    *primary*

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| 1. uzawkp   | 5. ahayaqulqp |
| 2. nsdresda | 6. owkrakp    |
| 3. sqqwgaqu | 7. zwkkwk     |
| 4. uzkalu   | 8. ialcwq     |

**Modular Words** Write a Basic Word by adding a word ending from the magnifying glass to each group of letters.

9. ordin \_\_\_\_
10. legend \_\_\_\_
11. liter \_\_\_\_
12. tempor \_\_\_\_
13. nurs \_\_\_\_
14. satisfact \_\_\_\_
15. prim \_\_\_\_
16. cemet \_\_\_\_
17. secret \_\_\_\_
18. imagin \_\_\_\_
19. observat \_\_\_\_
20. machin \_\_\_\_
21. brav \_\_\_\_
22. myst \_\_\_\_
23. treach \_\_\_\_
24. vocabul \_\_\_\_
25. bound \_\_\_\_



✓ **How Are You Doing?**  
 Write the spelling words in alphabetical order. Practice any misspelled words with a partner.

## Proofreading and Writing

### Proofread: Spelling, Usage of Adjectives and Adverbs

Some adjectives and adverbs are easy to confuse. Use **adjectives**, such as *good*, *bad*, and *real*, to modify nouns and pronouns. Use **adverbs**, such as *well*, *badly*, and *really*, to modify verbs, adjectives, and other adverbs.

Finding the **real** criminal was **really** difficult.

Use proofreading marks to correct five misspelled Basic or Review Words and two incorrect adjectives or adverbs in this excerpt from a book report.

**Example:** The inspector's <sup>primary</sup> ~~primery~~ aim is to do his job <sup>well</sup> ~~good~~.

### The Mystry of the Brass Jar

by R.L. Frazier

Liz Bane leads an ordinary life as a secretary until she finds a brass jar. Liz receives a terrible thret and realizes that someone wants the jar bad. Her simple life becomes real complicated as she stumbles into a maze of horrer and trechery.

**Write a Character or Setting Description** Write a paragraph describing a character or a setting that you might find in a mystery story. Include as many vivid details as possible. Try to use five spelling words. Also, try to use one of these adjective or adverb modifiers correctly: *good*, *bad*, *real*, *well*, *badly*, or *really*.

### Basic

1. mystery
2. literary
3. treachery
4. theory
5. bravery
6. primary
7. legendary
8. forgery
9. cemetery
10. elementary
11. observatory
12. secretary
13. nursery
14. satisfactory
15. imaginary
16. vocabulary
17. ordinary
18. machinery
19. boundary
20. temporary

### Review

21. weapon
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### Challenge

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### Proofreading Marks

- ☐ Indent
- ^ Add
- ∧ Add a comma
- ∩ Add quotation marks
- ⊙ Add a period
- ↪ Delete
- ≡ Capital letter
- / Small letter
- ↶ Reverse order

\* DO  
- Describe  
- Appearance  
- Mannerism  
- Personality

# Vocabulary Enrichment

Unit 15  
BONUS

## Expanding Vocabulary

### Spelling Word Link

secretary

**Multiple Meanings** English words can have multiple meanings.

**sec·re·tar·y** |sĕk' rĭ tĕr' ē| *n., pl. sec·re·tar·ies.*

1. A person employed to do clerical work, such as typing and filing.
2. An officer of an organization in charge of the minutes of meetings, correspondence, etc.
3. The head of a government department.
4. A desk with a small bookcase on top.

Write a definition number to show which meaning of *secretary* is used in each sentence below.

1. Mrs. Myers asked her secretary to hold all phone calls.
2. Mr. Ahman met with the secretary of education.
3. Leah sat at the secretary to write her thank-you notes.
4. The secretary of the committee read the minutes of the last meeting.

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## TEST-TAKING TACTICS



**Vocabulary-in-Context** One tactic for answering a vocabulary-in-context question is to replace the tested word with a word or phrase of your own that makes sense in the sentence. Then compare your word or phrase with each answer choice. Try this technique with the sample below, and then answer the questions that follow.

### Sample passage excerpt and question:

Cal Clew, attending his first Mystery Writers' Convention, (30) was awed by the presence of so many famous writers. Although dying to ask for tips on how a fledgling writer could get published, he trembled at the thought of approaching any of his idols.

The word "fledgling" in line 31 means (A) successful (B) promising (C) established (D) inexperienced (E) trained

5. What word or phrase did you use to replace "fledgling" in context?

6. Which meaning of "fledgling" is correct? Write its letter.

Real-World Connection

**Language Arts: Mysteries** All the words in the box relate to mysteries. Look up these words in your Spelling Dictionary. Then write the words to complete this paragraph.

Spelling  
Word Link

mystery

- sleuth
- victim
- identity
- suspicious
- alias
- deduction
- alibi
- intrigue

**CONFIDENTIAL**

In *Under the Alabaster Mask*, Isabella de Janze is the (1) of a ring of jewel thieves. She hires the famous (2) Mack Blooker to find her stolen jewels. While gathering clues, however, Blooker becomes (3) of Isabella herself. He suspects that she is a fraud and that the name "Isabella de Janze" is an (4), but he does not have a clue to her true (5). Although she has an airtight (6) for the night of the robbery, she could still have planned the crime. The suspense and (7) deepen as Blooker gets closer to the truth. In the end, a brilliant (8) leads him to unravel the mystery.

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**TRY THIS!**

**Yes or No?** Write *yes* or *no* to answer each question.

9. Is a victim guilty of committing a crime?
10. Does a sleuth look for clues?
11. Does a suspect need an alibi?
12. Can a detective capture an alias?

**Fact File**

The first mystery and detective stories were written in the 1840s by Edgar Allan Poe. One of America's greatest short-story writers, Poe is also known for his poems, the most famous of which is "The Raven."

