

## Spelling list: More words with the suffix *-able*

The suffix *-able* comes from Latin and is used to transform a verb or noun into an adjective. *-able* words usually convey the idea of capability, possibility, or suitability.

When adding *-able* to a base word, it is essential to understand what spelling changes that may occur. If the base word ends in an *e*, it is dropped before adding *-able*, for example *believe* becomes *believable*. If the base word ends in a *vowel* followed by a *consonant*, the *consonant* is usually doubled, for example *regret* becomes *regrettable*.

As always, there are rulebreakers so you use these spelling activities to learn the words in this list.

adorable	Your new puppy is <b>adorable</b> .
advisable	Doing your homework on time is <b>advisable</b> .
agreeable	The decision to move was <b>agreeable</b> .
available	I'll let you know when she's <b>available</b> to talk.
believable	Your story seems <b>believable</b> .
capable	Are you <b>capable</b> of managing so many different tasks at once?
changeable	The weather will be <b>changeable</b> .
considerable	The team scored a <b>considerable</b> number of goals in the recent match.
desirable	The advertised job had <b>desirable</b> benefits.
durable	These trainers are comfortable, stylish and <b>durable</b> .
excitable	Did you see how <b>excitable</b> the puppies were?
excusable	His actions were not <b>excusable</b> .
foreseeable	It is unlikely that we will have any available appointments for the <b>foreseeable</b> future.
inevitable	The snow led to <b>inevitable</b> delays.
inflammable	Hydrogen is a highly <b>inflammable</b> gas.

irritable	I get <b>irritable</b> if I haven't had enough sleep.
justifiable	Her actions were <b>justifiable</b> .
perishable	We try and use our <b>perishable</b> goods first.
pronounceable	We need to come up with a memorable and <b>pronounceable</b> name for our company.
regrettable	His decision to resign from the position was <b>regrettable</b> .