

Spelling list: Suffix - OUS

The suffix ous Sometimes the root word is obvious and the usual rules apply for adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters. Sometimes there is no obvious root word. our is changed to or before ous is added. A final e of the root word must be kept if the /d / sound of g is to be kept. If there is an /i:/ sound before the ous ending, it i

poisonous Not all snake bites are **poisonous** .

dangerous Chlorine gas is very **dangerous** .

mountainous A large part of Austria is **mountainous** .

famous The new building was to be designed by a **famous** architect.

various There were **various** amusements at the carnival.

tremendous The thunder made a **tremendous** noise.

enormous The **enormous** crocodile was waiting by the riverbank.

jealous She has a very **jealous** boyfriend.

humorous A limerick is A **humorous** poem with an AABBA rhyme scheme,consisting of five lines.

glamorous She always dressed up and looked **glamorous** .

accept I **accept** your apology.

except I'll eat anything **except** bananas.

affect The government cuts will **affect** everyone.

effect The stage lighting had a magical **effect** .