

Spelling list: Suffix - OUS Part 2

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

vigorous	Running in a sprint is vigorous exercise.
courageous	The soldiers were courageous in battle.
outrageous	The unsuitability of those shoes for school is outrageous .
serious	The judge said it was a very serious crime.
obvious	There was an obvious attraction between the couple.
curious	I was curious to see how many people turned up.
hideous	The weather was hideous during the storm.
spontaneous	There was spontaneous applause when he spoke.
courteous	Maria always thought that George was very courteous .
groan	The boy began to groan when he was hungry.
grown	I have grown tomatoes for ten years.
here	Wait here until I get back.
hear	Shout across the valley to hear the echo.