

Spelling list: Words where y does not change

In this list, we'll explore words where the *y* does not change when adding suffixes like *-ing* or *-ish*. Understanding when the *y* remains will help improve your spelling skills and reinforce your knowledge of English word forms. For instance, when we add *-ing* to *fry*, it becomes *frying* without changing the *y*.

Additionally, when a vowel appears before the *y*, the *y* also stays the same. Examples include *enjoys*, which retains the *y* when we add the suffix. Words like *turkeys* and *valleys* further illustrate this point, as their base forms remain consistent even when pluralised.

By recognising these patterns, you can enhance your spelling accuracy and confidence. As you review the examples provided, you will see how this rule applies to various words, making it easier to navigate English spelling with ease.

frying	They cooked breakfast in a frying pan.
turkeys	Lots of turkeys are eaten at Christmas.
valleys	Many river valleys were flooded in the storm.
boyish	He was still boyish despite his age.
greyish	His skin had a greyish tinge which worried the doctor.
enjoys	He enjoys running.