Spelling list: words ending in en + ed

It is hard to hear the ed in these words and so they are often misspelt with end at the end.

tightened I tightened my belt so my trousers did not fall down!

frightened Sally exclaimed that she was **frightened** of the dark.

brightened In the morning the sky **brightened** in the east.

widened The road was **widened** to include a cycle path.

lengthened In the spring the days **lengthened** .

shortened He had to get his trousers **shortened** as they were trailing in the dirt.

lightened She **lightened** the load in the bag by taking out the potatoes.

broadened The school **broadened** the curriculum by including Chinese.

whitened He had his teeth **whitened** at the dentist.

loosened They **loosened** their waistbands after the large dinner.

strengthened The door was **strengthened** by adding a metal plate to the back of it.