

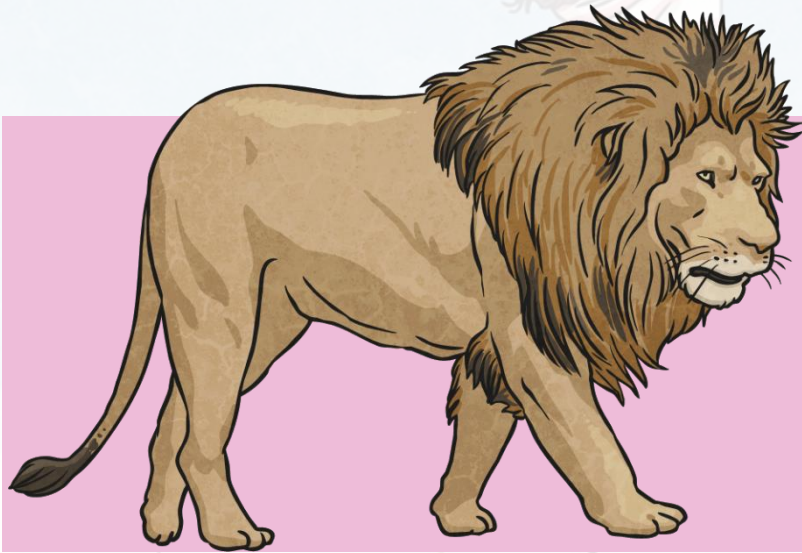
Adding the Suffix -ness



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For this week's spellings, we are looking at words that are created by adding the suffix -ness.

Can you spot the -ness suffix word in this sentence?



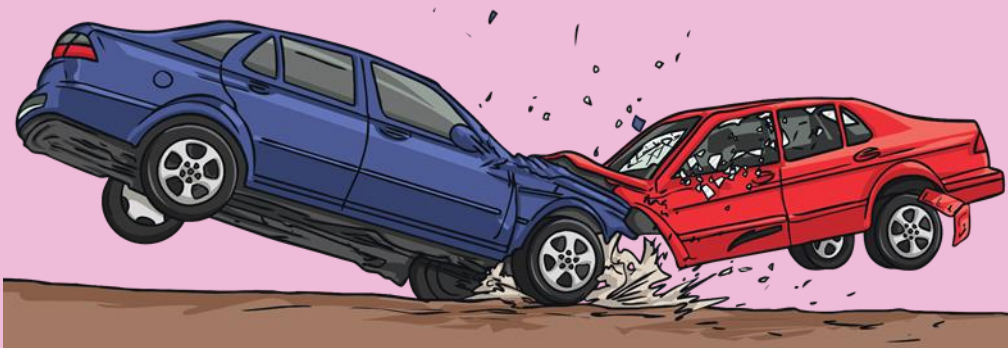
Because of its fierceness, the new lion had to be kept in its own separate enclosure at the zoo.

It is a **noun** that has been created by adding -ness to an adjective.

Many words (but not all) that end in the suffix -ness are a special type of noun called an 'abstract noun'.

Can you spot the -ness suffix word in this sentence?

Due to his carelessness behind the wheel, Charles caused a traffic accident.



Abstract nouns describe a state of mind, a feeling, a quality or a characteristic that you cannot physically see.

Sort the words into the correct place in the table:

Root word remains unchanged
when -ness added.

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carelessness

madness

nastiness

hardness

willingness

silliness

childishness

happiness

foolishness

tidiness



Here are this week's spellings to practise.

happiness

tidiness

hardness

childishness

madness

willingness

nastiness

carelessness

silliness

foolishness



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