

Suffixes used to form adjectives

| Suffix | Meaning | Examples |
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| -able, -ible | capable of being | <i>acceptable, valuable, comprehensible</i> |
| -al, -ial, -ical | like, suitable for, function of | <i>professional, territorial, categorical</i> |
| -ant, -ent | kind of agent, thing or person who | <i>important, dependent</i> |
| -ar, -ary | relating to, like | <i>spectacular, unitary</i> |
| -ate | to become associated with, kind of state | <i>inviolated,</i> |
| -ful | marked by, having, giving | <i>successful, hopeful</i> |
| -ic | like, having the nature of | <i>generic, metallic, scientific</i> |
| -ish | having the character of | <i>childish, newish</i> |
| -ive, -ative, -itive | of, belonging to, quality of | <i>festive, informative, sensitive</i> |
| -less | without, missing | <i>hopeless, homeless</i> |
| -ous, -eous, -ious | characterized by, having quality of | <i>dangerous, courageous, luxurious</i> |
| -y | quality, marked by, somewhat like | <i>hungry, angry, funny</i> |