

Word Family Trees Review

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Understanding Root Words and Word Families

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Answer the questions about root words and word families.

1. A ___ word is the main part of a word.

2. Adding endings to a word can change its meaning.

True False

3. What happens when we add '-ing' to a word?

- A. It makes the word past tense
- B. It shows an action happening now
- C. It makes the word a noun

4. What is a word family?

5. Match the root word to its ending.

play

-er

teach

-ing

6. We can add endings to change how we ___ the word.

7. Root words cannot stand alone as words.

True False

8. Which of these is an example of adding '-er'?

- A. play to playing
- B. teach to teacher
- C. run to running

9. What is one way to change a word? Circle the correct answer.

Add an ending

Remove the beginning

Change the letters

10. Pleasant words are like a ___ to the soul.

Answer Key

1. root 2. True 3. It shows an action happening now 4. A group of words that have the same root. 5. -ing 6. use 7. False 8. teach to teacher 9. Add an ending 10. honeycomb