

# Y4 Suffix Ous

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## 1. Worked example

### Add -ous: mountain

Step 1 · Does the root end in e, y or -our?

No, it ends in n

Step 2 · Just add -ous

mountain + ous

### Answer: mountainous

Check: The Scottish Highlands are mountainous.

## 2. Now try one with the steps

### Add -ous: humour

Step 1 · The root ends in -our

Step 2 · Add -ous

Answer:

## 3. Practice

Have a go at each one. There is space underneath to work it out.

1. Add -ous: danger

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2. Add -ous: poison

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3. Add -ous: fame

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4. Add -ous: vary

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5. Add -ous: humour

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6. Add -ous: glamour

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7. What does the suffix -ous mean?

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8. Add -ous: outrage

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9. Add -ous: fury

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10. Correct the spelling: 'humourous'

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11. Correct the spelling: 'couragous'

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12. Correct the spelling: 'obvius'

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13. Write the -ous word with no root word that means 'very large'.

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14. Explain why 'courageous' keeps its e but 'famous' does not.

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#### 4. Before you hand it in

**humourous, glamorous**

humorous, glamorous, vigorous

**couragous, outragous**

courageous, outrageous

**varyous, furyous**

various, furious

**dangerus, enormus**

dangerous, enormous. Think 'o-u-s, full of it'.