

**HOMEWORK**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Suffix or word ending 'ent'**

The word endings 'ent' and 'ant' can sound the same and are often confused.

These words all end with 'ent' and follow the rules given below.

- A **suffix** is a letter or letters added to the end of a word to make another word.
- **Syllables** are the beats in a word: do (1 beat), do-ing (2 beats), un-do-ing (3 beats).
- Every syllable must have a vowel or a 'y': **un-do-ing**.
- The letter 'c' can be hard (cat) or soft (cell). The letter 'g' can be hard (get) or soft (gent).

<i>(list 5:4)</i>	<b>Practise 1</b> <i>(copy into space)</i>	<b>Practise 2</b> <i>(fold and hide)</i>	<b>Can spell word</b> <i>(check and correct)</i>
Spelling tip:	<i>If the suffix follows a soft 'c' or 'g' or a 'qu' it is 'ent'.</i>		
<i>agent</i>			
<i>recent</i>			
<i>intelligent</i>			
<i>innocent</i>			
<i>frequent</i>			

Spelling tip:	<i>Words with the syllables 'cid, fid, sid, vid' before the ending the suffix is 'ent'.</i>		
<i>accident</i>			
<i>incident</i>			
<i>confident</i>			
<i>resident</i>			
<i>evident</i>			

Spelling tip:	<i>If the word ends with the suffix 'ment' it is always spelt 'ent'.</i>		
<i>payment</i>			
<i>agreement</i>			
<i>shipment</i>			
<i>employment</i>			
<i>argument</i>			

## **Common Exception Words**

These words have unusual or uncommon letter combinations. We must learn to recognise and spell each of them in their own right.

aggressive

communicate

dictionary

equipped

frequently