

# Using the -ed and -ing suffixes

# What is a suffix?

A **suffix** is a group of letters that can be added on to the end of a **root** word to slightly change its meaning.

e.g. **walking**

**Walk** is the root word.

**ing** is the suffix.

The two suffixes we are going to look at are

**ed**

and

**ing**

We can add these suffixes to verbs.  
Remember verbs are doing or action words like:

clap jump look

**Can you think of anymore verbs?**

The suffix 'ing' is added to the end of verbs to show that something is happening in the present...

e.g. I kick the ball.

I am kicking the ball.



# TOP TIP

The **present** means something is happening right now.

The way I remember this is by thinking, I would love to open a present right now.

Can you add 'ing' to these words,  
then put them in a sentence?

e.g. walk – I am walking to the shops.

stick	pick	pour
sing	play	say

The suffix '**ed**' is added to the end of verbs to show that something has already happened...

e.g – I kicked**ed** the ball.



Can you add 'ed' to these words,  
then put them in a sentence?

e.g. walk – I walked to the shops.

lick	listen	watch
bang	play	sprint



**THE END**