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Lecture two: Major suffixes

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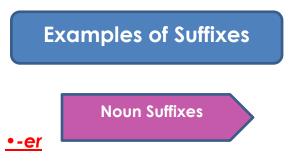
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# **Suffixes Explanation**

Understanding the basic meanings of medical suffixes will help you decipher what your medical practitioner or professor is saying.

In general, the prefix or root word will refer to the body part in question, and the suffix refers to a procedure, condition, or disease of that body part.

By putting these terms together, you can better comprehend a condition or treatment.



Meaning: someone who performs an action /Examples: helper, teacher

#### •-<u>or</u>

Meaning: a person who is something /Examples: distributor, translator

# •-ity

Meaning: the state or condition of /Examples: probability, abnormality

#### •-ment

Meaning: the action or result of /Examples: movement, retirement

# •-ful

Meaning: full of or notable of /Examples: grateful, beautiful

# <u>-less</u>

Meaning: without something /Examples: hopeless, fearless

#### •-ness

Meaning: a state or quality /Examples: fondness, awareness, kindness, darkness

# •-ion

Meaning: the action or process of /Examples: decision, revision

#### •-sion

Meaning: state or being /Examples: depression, confusion

# •-ship

Meaning: position held/ Examples: worship, internship



#### •-ed

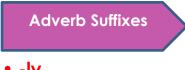
Meaning: past-tense version of a verb /Examples: called, missed

#### •-en

Meaning: become /Examples: soften, strengthen

# •-ing

Meaning: verb form/present participle of an action /Examples: swimming, driving, writing



#### • -ly

Meaning: in what manner something is being done /Examples: bravely, simply, honestly, gladly

# -ward

Meaning: in a certain direction /Examples: backward, afterward

# • -wise

Meaning: in relation to /Examples: clockwise

Meaning	
pain	Examples neuralgia
	tachycardia
	Vitrectomy
	Anemia,
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	hypoglycemia Pathogonia
	Pathogenic ografie gram
recording	cardiogram,
	mammogram
	pediatrics, psychiatry
	arthritis, layrngitis,
	dialysis, paralysis
destruction	
science of	pathology
swelling, tumor	Blastoma
condition, disease	diagnosis, prognosis
progress	
surgical incision	Tracheotomy
oxygen level	hypoxia
disease	neuropathy,
	sociopathy
swallowing	dysphagia
speech	aphasia, dysphasia
attraction to	hemophilia,
	hydrophilic
fear	arachnophobia,
	agoraphobia
suraical repair	angioplasty,
	rhinoplasty
flow, discharge	Diarrhea
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# **Common Medical Suffixes Defined**

-scopy	exam with an	colonoscopy,
	instrument	endoscopy