

# Spelling Lesson 18

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## Additional Words

17. coming 18. course 19. cousin 20. decided

## Assignment checklist:

- 1. If you missed any words on your spelling test, write them ten (10) times and attach your spelling test on the back of the page you use.
- 2. Write a paragraph using **ALL** of your spelling words. It can be funny, but it must make sense. **Underline or highlight** your spelling words (all **20** of them!).
- 3. Complete pages 40 and 41 in your spelling book.

# Lesson 18: Noun Suffix *-ance/-ence*

## Spelling Words

1. importance
2. entrance
3. difference
4. independence
5. insurance
6. conference
7. ambulance
8. absence
9. instance
10. audience
11. allowance
12. intelligence
13. assurance
14. appearance
15. obedience
16. presence

## Your Own Words

Add other words with the suffixes *-ance* and *-ence* to the lists. You might notice the word *distance* or *circumference* in a math problem. Where might you see the word *performance* or *fragrance*?

17. \_\_\_\_\_
18. \_\_\_\_\_
19. \_\_\_\_\_
20. \_\_\_\_\_

Each Spelling Word ends with *-ance* or *-ence*. The suffix *-ance* or *-ence* can be added to many words or roots to form nouns.

Study each Spelling Word and note the suffix. Then sort the words into two groups according to the suffix.

**-ANCE**  
fragrance

**-ENCE**  
excellence

The suffixes *-ance* and *-ence* mean “quality of” or “state of.” Words ending in these suffixes are usually nouns.

There is no rule that governs whether a word ends with *-ance* or *-ence*. Use a dictionary whenever you are not sure which spelling is correct.

## Lesson 18: Noun Suffix *-ance/-ence* (continued)

**SPELLING CLUES: Words with Suffixes** When you write, notice words that end with *-ance* or *-ence*. Make sure you have spelled the suffix correctly. Use a dictionary if you are unsure of the correct spelling.

Proofread these words. Write the word if it is spelled correctly. If the word is misspelled, write it correctly.

1. presence	4. assurance
2. insurence	5. allowance
3. conferance	6. importence

**PROOFREADING** 7–12. Proofread this advertisement. Circle the words that are misspelled. Then write each word correctly.

Do you think your dog has too much independance to be trained? Are you afraid it lacks the intellegence to learn simple commands? Just give the dog to us! You'll notice a huge differance after only ten hours of training in obedience. For instence, your dog will walk at your side, will come when you call, and will not misbehave in your presence or even in your absense!"

**FUN WITH WORDS** Write Spelling Words to complete items 13–16.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
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