



English with Nimafar

Spelling Rules Part II



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Present Simple Third Person Singular 'S'

- If the verb ends with the letters 'CH' - 'SH' - 'X' - 'O' - 'SS' - 'Z', add '-es' instead of '-s'
 - Wash => Washes
 - Mix => Mixes
 - Teach => Teaches
 - Do => Does
 - Bless => Blesses
- If the verb ends in Consonant - Y, we change 'Y' to 'I' and then we add '-es'
 - Study => Studies
 - Cry => Cries
 - Verify => Verifies
 - Clarify => Clarifies

Present Simple Third Person Singular 'S'

- When a verb ends in **Vowel-Y**, we do **NOT** change 'Y' to 'I'. We just add an 'S'.
 - Play => Plays
 - Display => Displays
 - Stay => Stays
 - Say => Says

Regular Past Simple & Regular Past Participles

- If the verb ends with the vowel '-e' add '-d' after it.
 - Dance => Danced
 - Like => Liked
 - Live => Lived
- If a monosyllabic verb ends in consonant + vowel + consonant, double the final consonant before 'ed.'
 - Stop => Stopped
 - Play => Played
 - Stay => Stayed
- If the verb has more than one syllable, double the final consonant before 'ed' only if the final syllable is stressed.
 - Permit => Permitted
 - Prefer => Preferred

Regular Past Simple & Regular Past Participles

- If the final syllable of the verb is not stressed, do not double the final consonant before 'ed.'
 - Develop => Developed
 - Listen => Listened
- If the verb ends in a vowel + 'y' add 'ed'.
 - Stay => Stayed
 - Employ => Employed
 - Enjoy => Enjoyed
 - Pray => Played
- If the verb ends in a consonant + 'y', 'y' is replaced by '-i' before 'ed' is added.
 - Hurry => Hurried
 - Bury => Buried
 - Clarify => Clarified
 - Satisfy => Satisfied

Present Participles

- If the verb ends in '-ie', replace the 'ie' with 'y'.
 - Die => Dying
 - Lie => Lying
 - Tie => Tying
- If the verb ends in vowel + consonant + '-e', omit the '-e'.
 - Come => Coming
 - Drive => Driving
 - Ride => Riding
 - Bake => Baking
- If the verb ends in consonant + unstressed vowel + consonant, do not double the final letter.
 - Open => Opening
 - Cancel => Canceling
 - Happen => Happening
 - Offer => Offering

Present Participles

- *If a verb has two vowel letters before the final consonant letter, do not double the consonant letter.*
 - *Eat => Eating*
 - *Bleed => Bleeding*
 - *Ruin => Ruining*
 - *Rain => Raining*
- *For a two-syllable or three-syllable verb, if the last syllable is stressed, double the final consonant letter.*
 - *Submit => Submitting*
 - *Admit => Admitting*
 - *Commit => Committing*
 - *Transfer => Transferring*

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