

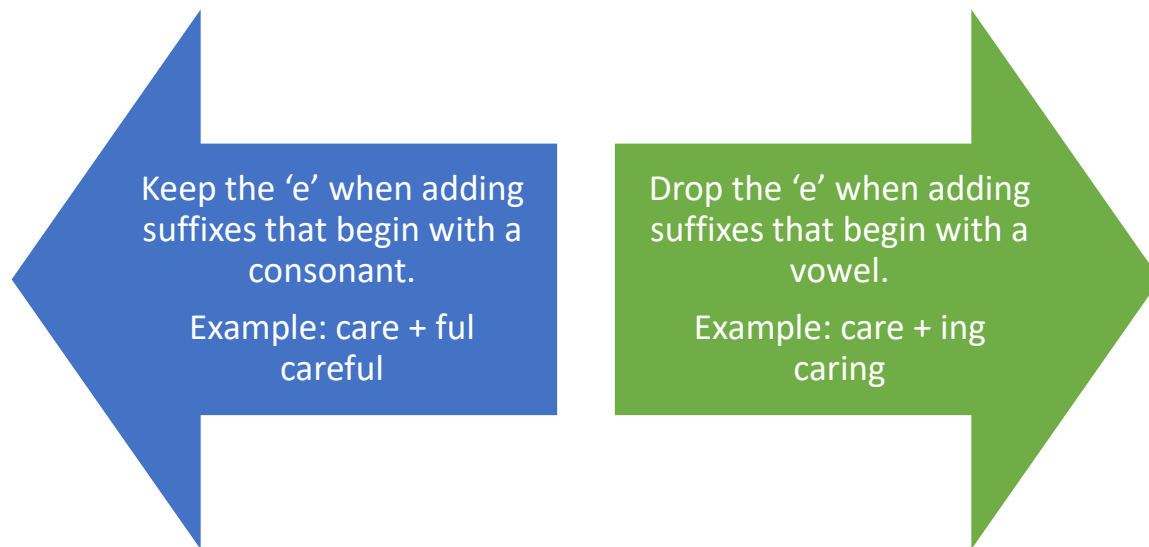
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SPELLING-ADDING SUFFIXES TO WORDS ENDING WITH A SILENT 'E'
STANDARD FOUR

Curriculum Topic: Spelling

Teaching Point:

There are rules that guide when adding suffixes to words ending with a silent 'e'.

Note the following rules:



Exceptions to the rules:

- Words that end in 'ce' or 'ge' keep the 'e' when adding suffixes in order to maintain the soft 'c' or 'g' sounds in the words.
Example: notice + able → noticeable
- Drop the 'e' when the letter 'y' acts like a vowel.
Example: noise + y → noisy

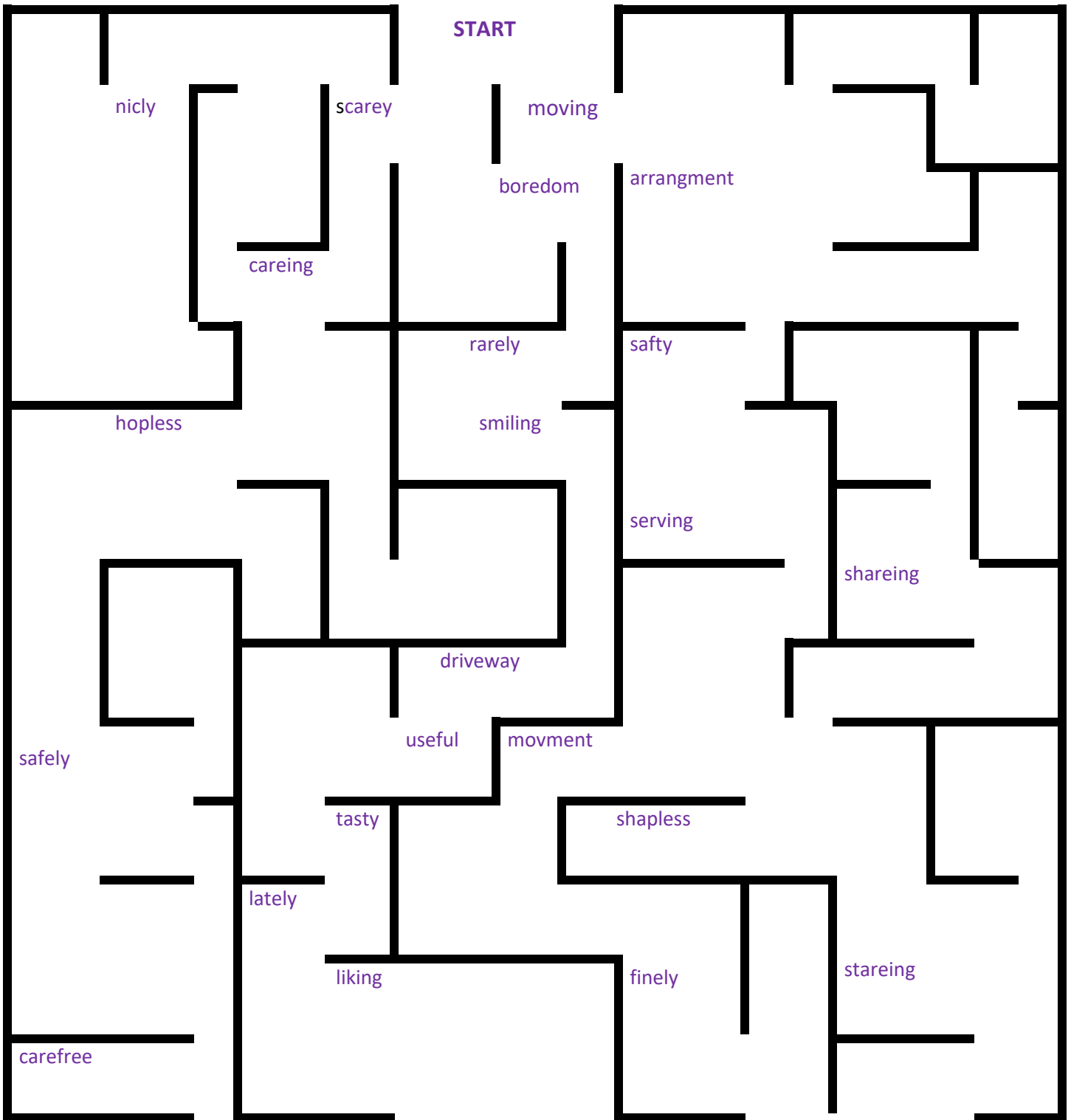
Use the rules to complete the activities below.

Activity 1

To complete the maze below you must pass through **correctly spelt words** to get to the 'END'. If you pass through an incorrectly spelt word, you will be on the wrong path.

There is only one (1) correct route. Feel free to use your dictionary as required.

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harmless

END

Activity 2

Complete the table by adding the suffixes to the root words.

The first one is done for you.

Root word	Suffix	New word
1. care	less	careless
2. smile	ing	
3. hate	ful	
4. move	ment	
5. manage	able	
6. love	ly	
7. please	ure	
8. taste	y	
9. come	ing	
10. desire	ous	

Activity 3

In the passage below there are misspelt words. Underline the words and complete the table with the correct spelling of the word.

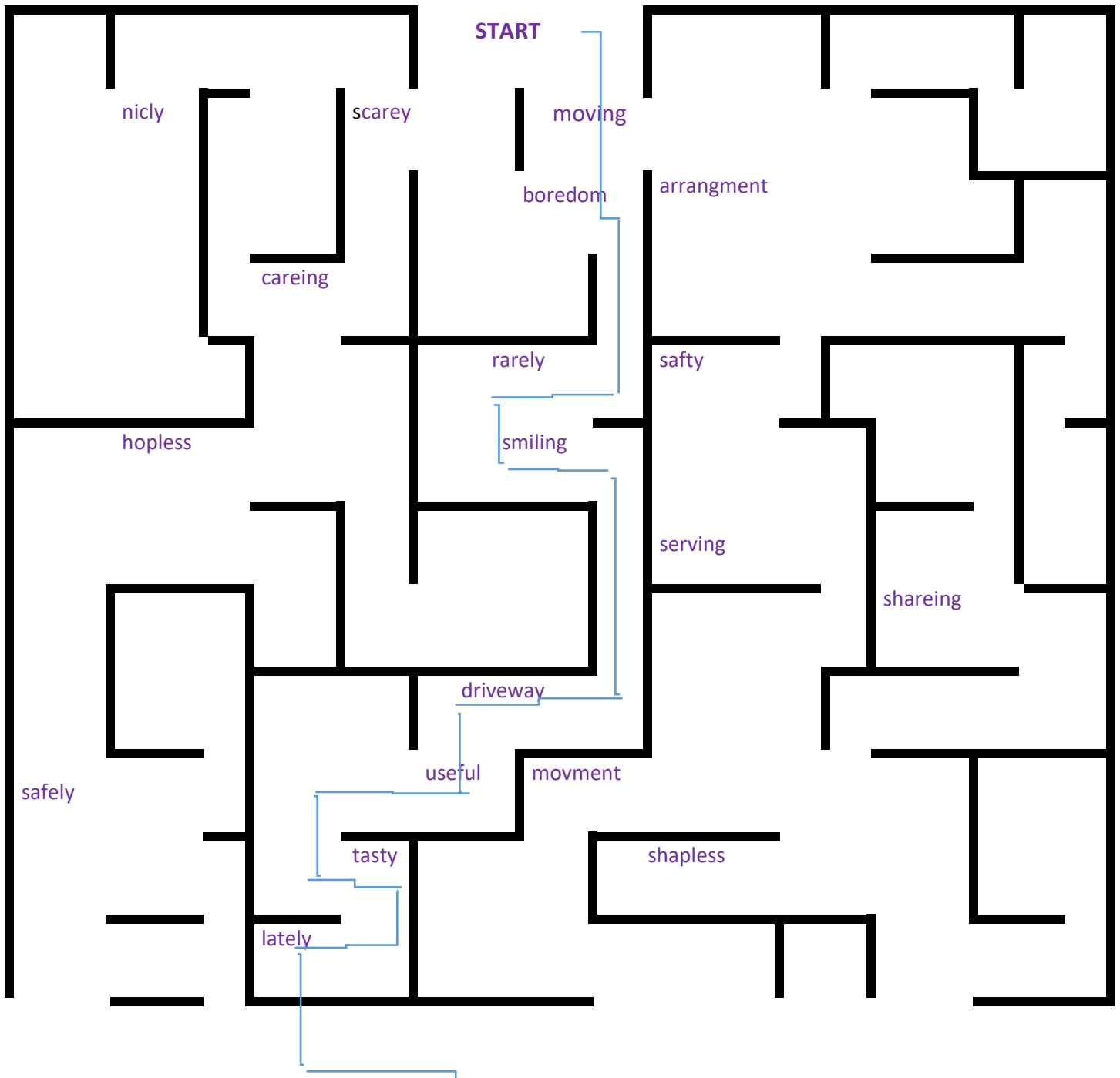
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Misspelt word	Correct spelling
1. excitment	

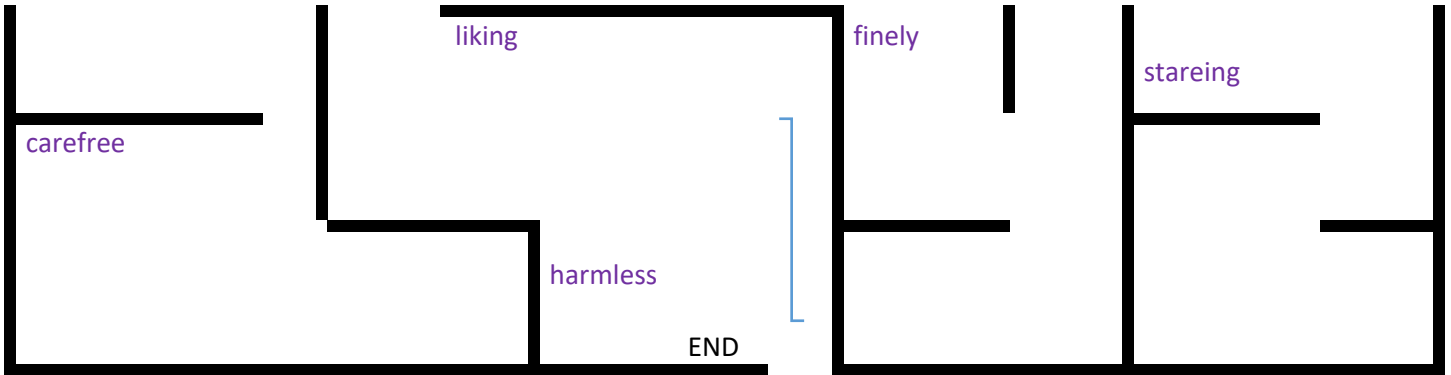
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2. shakeing	
3. fameous	
4. dareing	
5. cutness	

ANSWER KEY Activity 1



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ANSWER KEY

Activity 2

Root word	Suffix	New word
1. care	less	careless
2. smile	ing	smiling
3. hate	ful	hateful
4. move	ment	movement
5. manage	able	manageable
6. love	ly	lovely
7. please	ure	pleasure
8. taste	y	tasty
9. come	ing	coming
10. desire	ous	desirous

Activity 3

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11. excitment	excitement

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12. shakeing	shaking
13. fameous	famous
14. dareing	daring
15. cutness	cuteness