

## **Adjective Building Suffixes**

## <u>Use of suffixes -al, -ant, -en, -ful</u> <u>and -ish after the root words</u>

A suffix is a group of letters added at the end of the root word to form a new word with a different meaning. Meaning of suffixes:

- 1.-al: relate to or pertaining to
- 2. <u>-ant:</u> added to words to form a noun to indicate a 'person who' or 'thing that'
- 3.<u>-en:</u> from the irregular past participle of a verb.
- 4.<u>-ful:</u> full of.
- 5. -ish: similar to or belonging to.

Follow the above rules and use the correct suffixes -al, -ant, -en, -ful, and -ish after the words and fill in the blanks to complete the sentences.

## **Example:**

I. Ruth is a grace<u>ful</u> lady.

2. Molly asks relev\_\_\_ questions.

3. We all should eat season\_\_ fruits.

4. Beth has a scott\_\_\_ accent.

5. Martha is a very help\_\_\_ person.

6. The man was holding a brok\_\_ glass.

7. The purse was hidd\_\_ behind the pillow.

8. We loved the visu\_\_ effect of the movie.

9. The girl was wearing a pink\_\_\_ dress.

10. She is hope\_\_\_ of winning the race.

11. He won a signific\_\_\_ amount of money.

12. He had a natur\_\_ flair for business.

13. It is a gold\_\_ opportunity.

14. Aladdin flew on a magic\_\_ carpet.

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## **Answers**

- 1. graceful (done as an example.)
- 2. relevant.
- 3. seasonal.
- 4. scottish.
- 5. helpful.
- 6. broken.
- 7. hidden.
- 8. visual.
- 9. pinkish.
- 10.hopeful.
- 11. significant.
- 12. natural.
- 13. golden.
- 14. magical.