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Spelling

Focus

The suffixes **-ant** and **-ent** mean “having the quality of” when added to base or root words to form an adjective. The suffixes can also mean “inclined to or one who” to form a noun.

Practice

superintendent	correspondent	patient	convenient	insistent
observant	disinfectant	relevant	fragrant	pollutant

Read each sentence below. Circle the word in parentheses that is spelled correctly. Then, write the word on the line.

- Sometimes it is hard to be (pashunt, patient) while you are waiting in line. _____
- I put some (disinfectant, disenfektunt) on the counter after I broke an egg on it.

- The woman’s comment was not (reluvint, relevant) to the discussion. _____
- It is very (convenient, kunveenyant) to stop at the grocery store at the end of our road.

- The (ubzervant, observant) boy noticed that one chair was missing from the table.

- The school’s (superintendent, sooperintendent) cancelled classes due to a big snowstorm. _____
- Our neighbors were (incistant, insistent) that we stay for dinner. _____
- Nuclear waste is one type of (pollutant, poleutant). _____
- The news (koraspondent, correspondent) covered the story about the accident.

- The lilacs gave off a (fragrant, fraygrunt) smell. _____