

Words ending in -ous

Speed spell

Write the **Speed spell** words.

a _____ b _____ c _____

d _____ e _____ f _____

Circle any errors. Write the corrected spellings in your Log Book.

Spelling zone



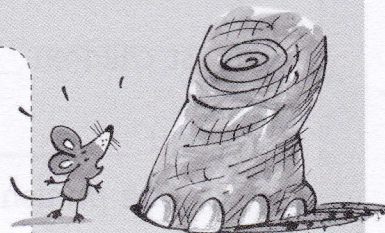
1 Take turns to read the information and the words.

The suffix **-ous** can just be added to some root words.
When we say it aloud, it sounds like **us**.

mountain mountain**ous** danger danger**ous**

In these words, we keep the **e** so that the **g** is a **soft g**.

courage courage**ous** outrage outrage**ous**



If a root word ends in **our**, we have to **swap** the letters
our for **or** before adding the suffix **-ous**.

hum**our** hum**or** + **ous** hum**orous**



The **us** sound spelt **ous** is already part of these root words:

seri**ous** curi**ous** hide**ous** anx*ious* obvi**ous**

2 Circle the word above that has an **e** before **ous** instead of an **i**.

3 Complete the sentence using the correct word from the box below.

courageous humorous curious glamorous

I was _____ to know what was inside the cave.

Dots and dashes



Dot and dash the graphemes in the words. Write the number of sounds.

serious	6
obvious	
hideous	
anxious	

tremendous	
jealous	
enormous	
glamorous	



Word changers



Complete the tables.

Tip: Remember to check whether you need to make any changes to the root word before adding the suffix.

root word	root word + suffix -ous
courage	courageous
outrage	
poison	
humour	
mountain	
glamour	

root word	root word + suffix -ly
serious	
	hideously
obvious	
	jealously
	curiously
anxious	

