

Final Silent E + Suffixes

When adding a vowel suffix to a Final Silent E, take away the Final Silent E.

Keep the Final Silent E when adding a suffix beginning with a consonant.

Examples:

hope – hoping

white – whitish

courage – courageous

dance – dancer

like – liken

active - actively

Note:

- In **active – actively**, the Final Silent E is stopping the base from ending in an illegal letter.
- In **courage – courageous**, the Final Silent E is making the <g> say /j/. It must remain to keep the <g> saying /j/.

Examples:

awe – awesome

nice – nicely

hope - hopeful

use – useless

strange – strangeness

base - basement