

Adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words of more than one syllable

I can use and spell words correctly with the suffix —ous.

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Spelling Rule	Example Words	
The -e at the end of a root word is dropped before adding any suffix beginning with a vowel letter.	carnivorous	
When a word ends in a consonant and y , change the y to i before the suffix -ous is added.	victorious	
When a word ends with a vowel and y , keep the y .	joyous	
If none of the other rules apply we just add –ous onto the ending.	mountainous	



