

Suffixes *-er, -or, -ess, -ist*

Spelling Words

dentist	editor	artist	hostess	actress
swimmer	seller	tutor	tourist	organist
lioness	shipper	chemist	investor	conductor

Definitions Write a list word to name each person.

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| 1. a person who draws and paints | 1. <u>artist</u> |
| 2. a person who takes care of teeth | 2. <u>dentist</u> |
| 3. a person who moves through water | 3. <u>swimmer</u> |
| 4. a person who receives guests | 4. <u>hostess</u> |
| 5. a person who teaches | 5. <u>tutor</u> |
| 6. a person who works on books or magazines | 6. <u>editor</u> |
| 7. a person who buys and sells stocks | 7. <u>investor</u> |
| 8. a person who leads an orchestra | 8. <u>conductor</u> |
| 9. a person who plays an organ | 9. <u>organist</u> |
| 10. a person who works with chemicals | 10. <u>chemist</u> |
| 11. a person who travels to new places | 11. <u>tourist</u> |

Rhymes Write the missing word. It rhymes with the underlined word.

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| 12. The _____ sent my sweater in a <u>zipper</u> bag. | 12. <u>shipper</u> |
| 13. He got a <u>propeller</u> from a model plane _____. | 13. <u>seller</u> |
| 14. Did you see the <u>mess</u> the _____ left backstage? | 14. <u>actress</u> |
| 15. The _____ eats <u>less</u> food than the lion. | 15. <u>lioness</u> |



Home Activity Your child spelled words with the suffixes *-er, -or, -ess, and -ist*. Many of the list words refer to people or occupations. Discuss any unfamiliar words with your child.