

Suffixes *-ian, -ant, -ent, -ist*

Spelling Words

musician	politician	novelist	scientist	historian
tenant	student	patient	resident	comedian
vegetarian	soloist	specialist	motorist	merchant
participant	occupant	custodian	descendant	chemist

Word Clues Write the list word that identifies the speaker of each statement below.

1. "I believe this chemical compound will lead to a cure." 1. _____
2. "I believe a healthy diet is one that does not include meat." 2. _____
3. "I love driving to work." 3. _____
4. "I clean up at night after everyone else has gone home." 4. _____
5. "I sell a wide variety of things in my shop." 5. _____
6. "My new apartment is much bigger than the last one." 6. _____
7. "I think my new jokes are the best ever." 7. _____
8. "I practice on my instrument an hour every day." 8. _____
9. "I have to stay in the hospital one more day." 9. _____
10. "I believe I can win this election." 10. _____
11. "School starts next week." 11. _____
12. "I have been working on this book for two years." 12. _____

Word Meanings Write a list word that matches each definition.

13. a person born of a certain family or group 13. _____
14. a person who writes about history 14. _____
15. a person who sings or plays an instrument alone 15. _____
16. a person who has expert knowledge of some branch of science 16. _____
17. a person who lives in a certain area 17. _____
18. a person who is an expert in a particular subject 18. _____
19. a person who takes up a certain space 19. _____
20. a person who joins in on an activity 20. _____



Home Activity Your child spelled words with *-ian, -ant, -ent, and -ist*. Say a word from the list and ask your child to define what that person does.