

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

Proofread a Scene Circle six spelling errors in this scene from a play. Write the words correctly. Find a sentence with a punctuation error. Write it correctly on the line.

Food Festival

Beth: I think the studant Heritage Food Festival will be fun.

Luke: I'm glad to, be a participant. I enjoy tasting diffrent foods.

Kathleen: Beth, your family's from Louisiana, right?

Beth: Yes. I'm a descendant of Cajun people.

Luke: So what are you bringing to the food festival?

Beth: A pot of gumbo. It's a soup made with chicken, rice, okra, and lots of other stuff. You practically have to be a chemust to make it, but my mom is a real specialist.

Kathleen: What are you bringing, Luke?

Luke: My grandfather was a residant of Mexico, so I'm bringing tamales and refried beans.

Kathleen: My mother's a vegeterien, so we're making a vegetable lasagna.

Spelling Words

musician
politician
novelist
scientist
historian
tenant
student
patient
resident
comedian

vegetarian
soloist
specialist
motorist
merchant
participant
occupant
custodian
descendant
chemist

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| 3. _____ | 4. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 6. _____ |
| 7. _____ | |

Frequently Misspelled Words

different
except

Proofread Words Circle the word that is spelled correctly. Write it.

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| 8. soloist | soloest | 8. _____ |
| 9. occupent | occupant | 9. _____ |
| 10. scientist | sciuntist | 10. _____ |
| 11. custodian | custodien | 11. _____ |
| 12. merchant | merchant | 12. _____ |



Home Activity Your child identified misspelled words with the suffixes *-ian, -ant, -ent, and -ist*. Ask your child to explain the difference between words with similar meanings, such as chemist and scientist, and musician and soloist.