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A root word is a word that acts as a “root” for making new words. Letters added to the front of a root word are called a prefix. Letters added to the back of a root word are called a suffix. Words that share the same root word can be called “root word families.”

**DIRECTIONS:** Add the suffixes indicated to each root word to create a root word family on each line. Write the new words.

	Root Word	Add -s	Add -ed	Add -ing
1.	trust	_____	_____	_____
2.	wave	_____	_____	_____
3.	stack	_____	_____	_____
4.	tie	_____	_____	_____
5.	tap	_____	_____	_____
6.	place	_____	_____	_____
7.	peer	_____	_____	_____
8.	show	_____	_____	_____
9.	wiggle	_____	_____	_____
10.	sniff	_____	_____	_____