

Words ending in **-ous**

## Speed spell

Write the **Speed spell** words.

a \_\_\_\_\_ b \_\_\_\_\_ c \_\_\_\_\_  
 d \_\_\_\_\_ e \_\_\_\_\_ f \_\_\_\_\_

Circle any errors. Write the corrected spellings in your Log Book.

## Spelling zone



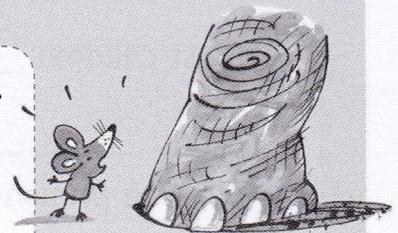
1 Take turns to read the information and the words.

The suffix **-ous** can just be added to some root words.  
 When we say it aloud, it sounds like **us**.

mountain mountain**ous** danger danger**ous**

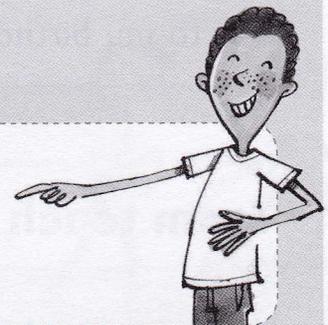
In these words, we keep the **e** so that the **g** is a **soft g**.

courage courage**ous** outrage outrage**ous**



If a root word ends in **our**, we have to **swap** the letters  
**our** for **or** before adding the suffix **-ous**.

hum~~our~~ humor + **ous** humor**ous**



The **us** sound spelt **ous** is already part of these root words:

seri**ous** curi**ous** hide**ous** anxi**ous** obvi**ous**

2 Circle the word above that has an **e** before **ous** instead of an **i**.

3 Complete the sentence using the correct word from the box below.

courageous humorous curious glamorous

I was \_\_\_\_\_ to know what was inside the cave.

## Dots and dashes



Dot and dash the graphemes in the words. Write the number of sounds.

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| serious | 6 |
| obvious |   |
| hideous |   |
| anxious |   |

|            |  |
|------------|--|
| tremendous |  |
| jealous    |  |
| enormous   |  |
| glamorous  |  |



## Word changers



Complete the tables.

**Tip:** Remember to check whether you need to make any changes to the root word before adding the suffix.

| root word | root word + suffix -ous |
|-----------|-------------------------|
| courage   | courageous              |
| outrage   |                         |
| poison    |                         |
| humour    |                         |
| mountain  |                         |
| glamour   |                         |

| root word | root word + suffix -ly |
|-----------|------------------------|
| serious   |                        |
|           | hideously              |
| obvious   |                        |
|           | jealously              |
|           | curiously              |
| anxious   |                        |

