

Lesson 5



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Other “Doer” Suffixes: *-ist, -ian, -ant/-ent* and “Place” Suffixes: *-ary/-ery/-ory/-ry*

In addition to *-er* and its variants, there are three other suffixes that also mean “doer” of the activity: *-ist, -ian,* and *-ant*. There are some pronunciation or spelling changes when these suffixes are attached to a base.

type – typist
diet – dietician
study – student

Notice that the *-ian* suffix is often spelled *-cian*. For example, a hairdresser who also helps women with their hands and faces to make them beautiful is called a *beautician*; someone who does magic is a *magician*. Also, many nationality names use this suffix or *-an*: *Canadian, Italian, Ethiopian, Mexican, Tibetan, Moroccan*.

- **Note:** Not all words ending in *-ant/-ent* are “doer” words. *Vacant* and *permanent* are adjectives.

-ary, -ery, -ory, and *-ry* are suffixes that often mean “a place where ...” For example, a *winery* is a place where wine is made and a *granary* is a place where grain is stored.

However, there are many irregularities with this suffix, and the exact meaning of the word may not refer to a place. For example, it may refer to a person who does something, a type of material, or the study or practice of some subject.

Secretary is a person, not a place for secrets. *Stationery* means writing paper.

Forestry is the management of forests. *Chemistry* is the study of chemicals.

- **Note:** *-ary* may also be an adjective suffix. It means “engaged in or connected with.” We will study this suffix in lesson 13. For example: *temporary, primary, stationary*.

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Exercises

A. In the following sentences, write the appropriate *-ist* word.

1. A person who is involved in science is a _____ .
2. People who work in the fields of sociology, psychology, and psychiatry are _____ , _____ , and _____ .
3. A person who is involved in economics is an _____ .
 - a. Capitalism is practiced by _____ .
 - b. Socialism is practiced by _____ .
 - c. Communism is practiced by _____ .
4. Some writers:
 - a. A person who writes dramas is a _____ .
 - b. A person who writes novels is a _____ .
 - c. A person who writes columns in a newspaper is a _____ (also called a journalist).
5. Some musicians:
 - a. A _____ plays the guitar.
 - b. A _____ plays the violin.
 - c. A _____ plays the piano.
 - d. A _____ plays cello.
 - e. A _____ plays the flute.
6. Politicians who are realistic are _____ , and if they are idealistic, they are _____ .
7. A person who is very active, especially in political matters, is an _____ . And if the person wants to have no government (anarchy), they are an _____ . An activist in environmental matters is an _____ . Ecology is the science of environmental balance. A person who studies it is an _____ .
8. Three criminals:

One who burns buildings (the crime of arson): _____ .

One who practices terror: _____ .

One who rapes: _____ .
9. A person who tours a foreign country is a _____ .

A person who drives a motor car is a _____ .

B. Match these *-ian* words with the appropriate description.

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| 1. ___ politician | a. Albert Einstein |
| 2. ___ musician | b. One who works in government |
| 3. ___ mathematician (and physicist) | c. a doctor |
| 4. ___ technician | d. the opposite of military |
| 5. ___ physician | e. a guitarist |
| 6. ___ civilian | f. one who operates technical instruments |

C. Complete the following with an *-ant/-ent* word. Use the list of bases below.

occup-	pati-	dissid-	immigr-	resid-
account-	migr-	consult-	oppon-	

1. a worker who migrates from place to place: a _____ worker.
2. a person who opposes another: an _____ .
3. a person who charges money for giving advice: a _____ .
4. a person who gives financial advice: an _____ .
5. a person who occupies a place: an _____ .
6. a person who is sick: a _____ .
7. a person who immigrates into a country: an _____ .
8. a person who disagrees with the government: a _____ .
9. a person who lives in a place: a _____ .

D. Fill in the blanks with one of these “place where” words.

library	territory	bakery	directory
laboratory	factory	mortuary	diary
treasury	armory	chemistry	dictionary

1. Another word for “weapons” is “arms.” Weapons would be kept in an _____ .
2. Bread is baked in a _____ .
3. Words are found in a _____ .
4. Telephone numbers are found in a _____ .
5. Daily notes are kept in a _____ .
6. A scientist works in a _____ .
7. Books are kept in a _____ .
8. The _____ department is concerned with money.
9. Goods are produced in a _____ .
10. Siberia is a huge _____ in Northern Russia.
11. Dead people are kept in a _____ before they are buried.
12. The study of matter is _____ .

E. Many nationalities are spelled with an *-ian* or *-an* suffix. Can you name a few?

- F. Read the following selection first for general comprehension, then for details. Highlight all the words with suffixes that mean “one who” or “place where.”

Awards for Artists and Scientists

NORBERG, Nordlandia (PLN) The Academy of Arts and Sciences today announced this year’s winners in the fields of science, literature, ecology, music, and economics. The winners will each receive a cash prize of \$50,000, according to awards panelist Dr. Arthur Andrews.



Prof. Brown-Archer, geneticist

Physicist Nils Groenig, notified of his award while working in his laboratory, celebrated with his research assistants by toasting them with a bottle of champagne. Botanist Anna Brown-Archer, a professor at the University of Jackson, received the award for her work in plant genetics. The third scientist cited by the Academy was Dr. Rolf Steinmetz, a chemist at the University of Overberg.

The novelist and dramatist Pedro Garcia, an Antillian, was named the recipient of the literature prize. His latest novel, *The Diary of an Idealist*, was acclaimed by the awards committee as a major contribution to world literature. The author, an outspoken dissident, is now a resident of Mexteca.

In the field of music, the award went to composer and pianist Gregor Kosnowski. Long considered one of the world’s outstanding musicians, Kosnowski is best known for his piano concertos. A proponent of neo-romanticism, he is the resident conductor of the Thyme Conservatory of Music.

This year marked the first year that a prize was given to an environmentalist. Robert Rackham, a well-known forestry consultant and environmental activist, was praised for his work on the effects of deforestation in tropical rain forests.

The prize for economics was won by Martin Greenberg, whose recent book, *The Proletarian and the Capitalist*, is rapidly becoming a classic in its field.

Lesson 5. Awards for Artists and Scientists

From New Urban City, this is the Morning Show with Maria Ventura.



Maria: Good morning from New Urban City. This is Maria Ventura. Yesterday in Norberg, the Academy of Arts and Sciences announced its annual prizes. Panelist Dr. Arthur Andrews named three scientists, a novelist, a musician, and an economist. And for the first time an award goes to an environmental activist.

Earlier this morning we talked with Dr. Andrews, a resident of Genera, who was speaking with us from his library. Here's an excerpt from our interview:

Dr. Andrews, this year the Academy gave an award to an environmentalist. This is a first, isn't it?

Andrews: Oh, yes. It is very clear that although chemists, botanists, geologists, and other scientists do very valuable work, the time has come to recognize the importance of the work of environmentalists such as the Arcadian forestry expert Robert Rackham and the ecologist Nkwe Ngwa, who has done so much research on the Saharan Desert.

Maria: This year for the first time, an Antillian dissident won the award for his literary contributions. But as a dissident, he is not welcome in Antillia. Is the Academy making a political statement?

Andrews: The Academy is always making a statement, whether the award goes to an Antillian or a Ruritanian or a Slobovian or a Zanzanian. Our statement is simple: we recognize and award contributions to world peace.

Maria: Thank you so much for speaking to us, Dr. Andrews.

Andrews: You're quite welcome.

Maria: And now this:

Lesson 5: *Awards for Artists and Scientists*
Other “Doer” Suffixes and “Place” Suffixes

Panelist	resident	forestry	literary
scientists	library	ecologist	Ruritanian
novelist	chemists	Antillian	Slobovian
musician	botanists	dissident	Zanzanian
economist	geologists		
activist	environmentalists		

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