

Year 5 Spellings week beginning 11th May

Words ending in -ant, -ancy and -ance

These are this week's spellings. They all have the suffix '-ant'.

Changing the '-ant' suffix for '-ancy' or '-ance', adapts the word, changing it from an adjective to a noun.

E.g. The King was very extravagant: his home was filled with jewels, silks and gold.

The King's extravagance was clear: his home was filled with jewels, silks and gold.

The Queen was a very dominant person. She refused to let the King speak without her permission.

The Queen's extreme dominancy meant the King wasn't allowed to speak without her permission.

1. **Observant**
2. **Hesitant**
3. **Reluctant**
4. **Tolerant**
5. **Dominant**
6. **Relevant**
7. **Significant**
8. **Extravagant**
9. **Brilliant**
10. **Important**

Task 1: Write a definition for each word. Some of these words are tricky! Ask an adult at home or use a dictionary (online at <https://www.collinsdictionary.com/dictionary/english> if you don't have one at home).

Task 2: Practice the spellings by writing them out a few times, maybe use different colours or different handwriting styles to make it more interesting!

Task 3: Write a short story using as many of the words—or their variations—as possible. For example, you could use 'importance' rather than 'important' or 'hesitancy' instead of 'hesitant'. You could use my examples of the extravagant King and dominant Queen if you like!