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LESSON #4 - 7th Grade Doubling the Final Consonant



A word that has 1 syllable, 1 vowel, and 1 final consonant is called a **1+1+1** word. (ex. set)
Double the final consonant of a **1+1+1** word before adding a suffix with a vowel.
(ex. set + ing = setting)



A word that has a single vowel in a final accented syllable with one final consonant is called a **VAC** word. (ex. up **set**)
Double the final consonant of a **VAC** word before adding a suffix with a vowel.
(ex. upset + ing = upsetting)



Do not double the final consonant before adding a suffix that begins with a consonant for either the **1+1+1** word or the **VAC** word.
(Ex. ship + ment = shipment, commit + ment = commitment)

plan	planning	planned	
star	starring	starred	stardom
grab	grabbing	grabbed	
stop	stopping	stopped	
swim	swimming	swimmer	
ship	shipping	shipped	shipment
dim	dimmed	dimmer	
begin	beginning	beginner	
patrol	patrolling	patrolled	
rebel	rebelled	rebellion	
commit	committing	committed	commitment

The first seven words in the list are **1+1+1** words. The last four are **VAC** words.

1. What happens to the final consonant of these words when a suffix beginning with a vowel is added? _____

2. What happens when a suffix with a consonant is added? _____

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RULE #2: _____