



English Word Forms

suffix - ary

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The addition of the suffix - *ary* transforms a number of words into their **adjective** 形容词 *xíng róng cí* form.

See more examples below.

alimentary canal - food canal 消化道 *xiāo huà dào*

The mouth is where **food** enters the alimentary canal.



prime - primary 主要 *zhǔ yào*

The **primary colours** 原色 *yuán sè* of **light** are Blue, Red and Green.



sediment - sedimentary 沉积 *chén jī*

The tower of sedimentary rocks is majestic.



station - stationary 静止的 jìng zhǐ de

The train is in the station. It is stationary. It is not moving.

NOTE :

The word "stationery" is a **noun** 名词 míng cí . It refers to writing and office materials.

element - *elementary*

He signed up for the elementary course.

second - *secondary*

She is in the secondary school.

planet - *planetary*

Microsoft has started building a planetary computer.

Exercise

Write the adjective form of the following words. Then write an example sentence for each of them.

1. diet (noun) _____ (adjective)

2. saliva (noun) _____ (adjective)

3. legend (noun) _____ (adjective)

4. custom (noun) _____ (adjective)

5. imagine (verb) _____ (adjective)
