Word Change Sort

Watch what happens when an ending is added.

2.LF.10.m "Decode and encode words with prefixes and suffixes, including words with dropped e and y-to-i changes for suffix addition."

NAME _____ DATE _____

DROP THE E

When a word ends in silent e, drop the e before adding -ing.

make + ing = making

CHANGE Y TO I

When a word ends in a consonant and y, change the y to i before adding -ed or -er.

copy + ed = copied

1 SORT

8 items

For Part 1, circle DROP or CHANGE for each item; for Part 2, choose two item numbers and write how you knew where each belongs.

1. bake + ing = baking — DROP CHANGE

2. smile + ing = smiling — DROP CHANGE

3. carry + ed = carried — DROP CHANGE

4. hope + ing = hoping — DROP CHANGE

5. try + ed = tried — DROP CHANGE

6. hurry + ed = hurried — DROP CHANGE

7. skate + ing = skating — DROP CHANGE

8. ride + ing = riding — DROP CHANGE

2 PROVE IT

Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # _____ **HOW I KNEW** _____

ITEM # _____ **HOW I KNEW** _____

3 MAKE YOUR OWN

One of each

For Part 3, write one new word equation that belongs in DROP and one that belongs in CHANGE.

DROP _____

CHANGE _____

CHALLENGE

Add -er to tiny, then write which spelling change you used.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	bake + ing = baking	**DROP**	The silent e is dropped before -ing.
2	smile + ing = smiling	**DROP**	The silent e is dropped before -ing.
3	carry + ed = carried	**CHANGE**	The consonant-y ending changes to i before -ed.
4	hope + ing = hoping	**DROP**	The silent e is dropped before -ing.
5	try + ed = tried	**CHANGE**	The consonant-y ending changes to i before -ed.
6	hurry + ed = hurried	**CHANGE**	The consonant-y ending changes to i before -ed.
7	skate + ing = skating	**DROP**	The silent e is dropped before -ing.
8	ride + ing = riding	**DROP**	The silent e is dropped before -ing.

PART 2 · PROVE IT

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 · MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **DROP**: wave + ing = waving
- **CHANGE**: study + ed = studied

Challenge: tiny + er = tinier; CHANGE, because the y changes to i.

Part 2 answers should name the change in each chosen item, not just repeat its category. Accept other correctly spelled examples in Part 3.