Add ING Sort

What happens to the word before you add -ing?

RF.2.3 "Know and apply phonics and word analysis skills in reading (decoding) and writing (encoding) words. Know and apply phonics skills to read (decode) and write (encode) one syllable words..."

NAME _____ DATE _____

DROP THE E

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

wave → waving

ADD -ING

If a word ends in two consonants, keep every letter and add -ing.

paint → painting

1 SORT

8 items

Circle DROP or ADD for each word, then choose two words and explain how you knew where each belongs.

1. bake — DROP ADD
2. smile — DROP ADD
3. jump — DROP ADD
4. ride — DROP ADD
5. lift — DROP ADD
6. help — DROP ADD
7. hope — DROP ADD
8. chase — DROP ADD

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

Write one new word for DROP and one new word for ADD. Show each word with -ing added.

DROP _____

ADD _____

CHALLENGE

Choose one word from each group in Part 1. Add -ing to both words, then use both new words in one sentence.

ANSWER KEY # Add ING Sort

PART 1 · SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	bake	**DROP**	Drop the final silent e to write baking.
2	smile	**DROP**	Drop the final silent e to write smiling.
3	jump	**ADD**	Keep every letter and add -ing to write jumping.
4	ride	**DROP**	Drop the final silent e to write riding.
5	lift	**ADD**	Keep every letter and add -ing to write lifting.
6	help	**ADD**	Keep every letter and add -ing to write helping.
7	hope	**DROP**	Drop the final silent e to write hoping.
8	chase	**DROP**	Drop the final silent e to write chasing.

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**: make → making
- **ADD**: wash → washing

Challenge: I am baking while my sister is jumping.

For Part 2, accept explanations that identify the silent e or the two ending consonants and tell what happens when -ing is added.