

Ending Word Clues

Listen for -s, -ed, and -ing to tell what a word means.

1.3.C “identify the meaning of words with the affixes -s, -ed, and -ing; and”

NAME _____

DATE _____

Teacher: this page is run aloud. The script and answers are on the guide page.

1 CIRCLE IT _____

a	books	book	booked
b	wash	washing	washed
c	jumped	jumping	jumps

2 MATCH MEANINGS _____

dogs	•	•	now
painted	•	•	many
singing	•	•	before

HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE

Read each choice aloud because students are listening for word endings, not reading independently. Explain that -s can show more than one, -ed can show something happened before now, and -ing can show something happening now. Students circle or draw lines to show the meaning they hear.

Students never read directions on this sheet. Read each part's script aloud, then each prompt, giving think time before students mark.

PART 1 • CIRCLE IT

SAY “Look at each row. I will read the words and ask a question. Will you circle one word in each row?”

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	Which word means more than one book: books, book, or booked?	books
b	Which word means it happened before now: wash, washing, or washed?	washed
c	Which word means it is happening now: jumped, jumping, or jumps?	jumping

PART 2 • MATCH MEANINGS

SAY “Look at the words on the left and the meaning words on the right. I will read them all. Can you draw a line from each word to the meaning it has?”

- **dogs** matches **many**
- **painted** matches **before**
- **singing** matches **now**

WHAT TO ACCEPT

Circle books, washed, and jumping. Match dogs to many, painted to before, and singing to now.