

Support for English Learners

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Some students may have difficulty spelling and pronouncing words that have the suffix *-ion*.

Listen

Remind students that when the suffix *-ion* is added to the word *instruct*, it forms the word *instruction*. Say *instruction* again, emphasizing the suffix. Continue with the Basic Words *donate/donation* and *possess/possession*.

Speak and Read

Say: *Let's practice saying pairs of Basic Words. Say instruct/instruction, emphasizing the suffix. Have students repeat after you. Continue with the Basic Words donate/donation and possess/possession. Have volunteers make up sentences, using each pair of words.*

On the board, write *instruct + ion = instruction*, *donate + ion = donation*, and *introduce + ion = introduction*. Say each equation aloud. Point out the spelling changes in *donate* and *introduce* when the suffix *-ion* is added. Have students write equations combining the suffix *-ion* with the base words *except*, *conclude*, *discuss*, and *oppose*. Discuss the spelling changes.

Spell

Beginning/Preproduction Create word cards for the Basic Words *instruction*, *conclusion*, *exception*, *donation*, and *introduction*, and have students circle the *-ion* ending in each word. Have volunteers read the words aloud to the class.

Early Production/Speech Emergent Create and distribute word cards for the Basic Words *instruction*, *conclusion*, *exception*, *donation*, and *introduction*. On the board, write a simple sentence for each word. As you read each sentence, cover up the Basic Word, pausing when you get to it. Have students hold up the appropriate word card and say the word aloud, emphasizing the suffix.

Intermediate/Advanced Using separate sentence strips, write a simple sentence for each of these Basic Words: *instruction*, *conclusion*, *exception*, *donation*, and *introduction*. Have students read aloud each sentence, identifying the Basic Word and saying it aloud. Then have students underline the suffix in each Basic Word.

I made a donation to the animal shelter.