Adding -ion

Today we are adding a new suffix to the end of verbs to turn them into nouns!

**Challenge 1:**

Explain to a grown up (or write into your book), what is a …

* Verb
* Noun
* Suffix

A suffix is a spelling pattern that we add to the **end** of a word. It can change the meaning of the **root word** or change it’s form. In this case, we are looking at **verbs** (action words) changing in to **nouns** (naming words) when we add the -ion suffix.

**Challenge 2:**

Can you find the meaning of these **verbs** and write a short **definition for each one?** (You can use a dictionary, look online or ask a grown up what they think they mean!) Remember, they are **verbs!** (I’ve done 1 for you)

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| **construct** | **construction** |
| **invent** |  |
| **collect** |  |
| **infect** |  |
| **act** |  |
| **hesitate** |  |
| **exaggerate** |  |
| **locate** |  |

**How does the rule work?**

* Usually, to add **-ion** to a word, we just **add -ion! (Especially easy because most of these words end in ‘t’)**

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| **act** | **action** |

* However, just like we’ve seen with lots of other spelling rules, if a word ends in an e, we have to drop the ‘e’

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| **locate** | **location** |

**Challenge 3:**

Can you identify the correct **root word** or **suffix** for each of these words?

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| **act** |  |
| **collect** |  |
| **educate** |  |
|  | **attraction** |
| **correct** |  |
|  | **location** |
| **inject** |  |
|  | **construction** |
| **exaggerate** |  |
|  | **concentration** |
| **celebrate** |  |
| **dictate** |  |