

Adding -ing to Words Ending in -y with a Consonant before It

Adding '-ing'

We have already looked at this rule...

To add '-ed', '-er' or '-est' to a word that ends in '-y' with a consonant before it ...change the 'y' to 'i' and add the 'ed', 'er' or 'est'.

To add '-ing' to a word that ends in 'y', do not change the 'y' to 'i'.

Leave the '-y' and add '-ing'.

copy > **copying**

cry > **crying**

reply > **replying**

marry > **marrying**

carry > **carrying**

fly > **flying**

try > **trying**

dry > **drying**

Be Careful!

Some words don't follow the usual rule.

Words that end in an 'i' with a consonant before it, do not follow this pattern.

Instead, leave the 'i' and add '-ing'.

ski > **skiing**

taxi > **taxiing**



Can you air write an '-ing' with your finger?

Can you write an 'iing' on the back of your hand using your finger?



Can you write either an 'ing' or an 'iing' on a partner's back? Can they tell which letters you have written?

Here are this week's spellings to practise.

copying

crying

replying

marrying

carrying

flying

trying

drying

skiing

taxiing



