



Suffix Origins “-ful” meaning “full of”



The suffix “-ful” can be added to a base word to create the meaning “full of” or “characterised by”. This suffix originates from Old English “full”. (Note that the final “l” in “full” has been dropped in the suffix.)

Add the suffix “ful” then write the words again :

hand _ _ _ _____ use _ _ _ _____

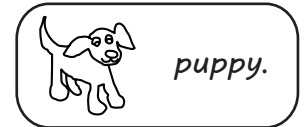
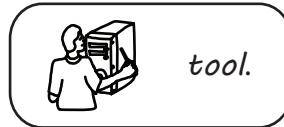
mouth _ _ _ _____ pain _ _ _ _____

care _ _ _ _____ color _ _ _ _____

hurt _ _ _ _____ play _ _ _ _____

thought _ _ _ _____ power _ _ _ _____

Describe the following by using words that end in the suffix ‘ful’ :



Explain the meanings of these idioms :

Talk underwater with a mouthful of marbles _____

A spoonful of sugar makes the medicine go down _____

The suffix ‘ful’ is sometimes added to a word to show an amount. Write a sentence using these words :

hand _ _ _ _____

mouth _ _ _ _____

cup _ _ _ _____

spoon _ _ _ _____

teaspoon _ _ _ _____

Write words using the letters contained in this word :

Teaspoonful

