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Suffix Origins 'ize' or 'ise' ?

The suffix "ise" or "ize" can be added to a word to create a verb.
The British preferred spelling in "ise" and the American preferred spelling is "ize".
(Though there are some exceptions.)

The suffix has roots in Latin "izare" and Greek "izen" but it is the Old French "iser" that has been carried through to British English.



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| real + ize | _____ | organ + ize | _____ |
| final + ize | _____ | advert + ise | _____ |
| optim + ize | _____ | custom + ize | _____ |
| minim + ize | _____ | dev + ise | _____ |
| symbol + ize | _____ | critic + ize | _____ |

Complete the sentences:

The teachers will _____ transportation for our excursion.
When did you _____ that your answer might be wrong?
Please _____ all outstanding payments before the end of the week.
The company will _____ the vacant job position in the newspaper.
You can _____ your computer to suit yourself.

Write the meaning of the following words:

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| final | _____ |
| optimal | _____ |
| minimal | _____ |
| symbol | _____ |
| advertise | _____ |
| custom | _____ |
| develop | _____ |

How many words can you make using the letters in:

ORGANIZATION