

Razi the Goose



Focus Morpheme

Suffix	-y
Pronunciation	The suffix -y is pronounced /ē/.

Etymology of -y

Origin	Anglo-Saxon
Meaning	full of; characterized by
Example: windy	Look at the word windy . Think about the meaning of the base, <i>wind</i> . By adding the suffix -y, which means “full of,” we create the word windy , meaning “full of wind.”

Vocabulary

- windy
- sunny
- shiny
- noisy
- icy
- scary
- stormy
- cloudy

Activating Prior Knowledge

- Razi is a Canada goose. What do you know about Canada geese?
- Where have you seen them?

Razi the Goose



Hiya. My name is Razella, but my friends call me Razi. I'm a Canada goose and I love to soar through **windy** skies. My favourite season is summer, when days are long and **sunny**. All the best food comes out in the summer. I love to fill up on lush blades of grass. Humans leave grass all over the place, which is **lucky** for me. I need to get as many nutrients as I can to prepare for the cooler weather.



During the warmer months, I lose all my old feathers. They are replaced by **shiny** new ones. This prepares me for the winter migration. Around the time the leaves change colour, I begin the long journey south. I don't do it alone though. You may have seen my **noisy** family flying above your house as **icy** weather approaches.

Vocabulary

Connections

Migration is the movement of people or animals from one location to another to find food, shelter, and safety.



The best times to take off during the migration season are 30 minutes before sunrise and 30 minutes after sunset. At these times you cannot see the sun, but the sky is full of light. It can be **scary** flying for days through **stormy** weather. Even when skies are grey and **cloudy**, though, we must spread our wings and glide through the **windy** air.

Time to Talk

Have you ever seen a flock of geese flying above you in a V formation? Have their **noisy** sounds ever caused you to look up to the sky? Why do you think they fly in that formation? Why do you think they fly through all types of weather?

Did You Know?

GPS trackers help humans follow the flight paths of migratory birds, even through **stormy** skies. Using these trackers, scientists have found that geese follow the same flight paths as their ancestors centuries ago. No one is sure how they remember their way. These paths are called flyways. There are four major flyways across North America: the Pacific Flyway, the Central Flyway, the Mississippi Flyway, and the Atlantic Flyway.



Word Study

In your Word Study notebook, add today's morpheme.

New Morpheme	Type of Morpheme	Origin	Meaning
-y	suffix	Anglo-Saxon	full of; characterized by

Spelling Conventions

Remember these spelling conventions when adding the suffix -y.

- For many words, simply add the suffix -y. rain + y → **rainy**
- For a one-syllable word ending in one vowel and then one consonant, such as *sun*, double the consonant before adding -y. sun(n) + y → **sunny**
- For a word ending in a silent e, such as *shine*, replace the e with the suffix -y. shine/ + y → **shiny**

Write word sums for the following words:

snow hair fun ice fog sleep breeze chill shake snap

Writing Connections

Choose an animal. As the writer did for this card, write from the perspective of the animal using first-person narration. Write about a day in the life as that animal or about something the animal might enjoy doing. Use as many words with the suffix -y as you can!



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