Sample PhOrM Lesson Overview: Morphological Focus (Early Years)

Suggested grade: Year 2

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# FOCUS ON MORPHOLOGY

**CoSTEY code: M3** 

**Encoding inflected suffix: -est** 

#### **Focus text**

Things That Are Most in the World, By Judi Barrett (Alladin Paperbacks)

# Learning intentions and success criteria

Identify and understand how to write words ending with the suffix, -est

I know how to ...

- ✓ add -est to the end of base words ending in e.
- ✓ add -est to the end of CVC base words.
- ✓ add -est to the end of base words ending in y.

# Word list to support learning

<u>Words from literary text:</u> wiggly, silly, quiet, prickly, hot, odd, long, jumpy, smelly, sticky, heavy, high

Other words for teaching rules: fine, safe, brave, fit, big, thin, dirty, easy, funny

#### **Explicit teaching**

- Read the text aloud. Pause at each -est suffixed word and ask students to look at how the author uses the suffix. Tell students that this suffix means 'most'.
- Introduce the metalanguage: base word and suffix. Explain that the suffix, -est, can be added to the end of a base word to express the highest level of quality.
- Using pre-prepared palm cards comprising the base words (one for each rule), model adding the superlative suffix. Pose the following question: What happens to the base words when the suffix -est is added? Discuss three common rules for using this suffix.

Rules	Base Word	Base word + Superlative suffix
1	safe	safest
2	hot	hottest
3	wiggly	wiggliest

# Structured guided practice

- Group 1: Students focus on Rule 1 by adding the superlative suffix to the relevant base words.
- Group 2: Students focus on Rules 1, 2 and 3 by adding the superlative suffix to the base words. Student may also play Tic Tac Toe with a partner (using two rules for the -est suffixed words).

# Independent

Using the final page	of the literary text,	'Things That Ar	re the Most in	the World',	students
create and share the	ir own response/s t	to the prompt,	using the word	ds from the	shared
episode: <i>The</i>	est thing in th	he world is			

### **Further consolidation**

Using a different literary text (e.g., a text used for structured guided practice) students search for words containing the superlative suffix, *-est* or words that could have *-est* added to them (adverbs or adjectives). Students write each word including the sentence they found them in. Then, students may write their own sentences using the suffixed words.

#### Please reference as follows: