**Year 5**  **Week 4 spellings – wb 26.9.22** **Words ending in ‘able’**

You can’t really hear the **a** when we say the suffix-**able** in these words – it sounds like ***ubble*** to rhyme with trouble.

**Most** words **ending in –able** **DO have an obvious root word**:

Fashion + able – fashionable understand + able = understandable

We can add ‘**able**’to some root words without making any changes to them:

consider + **able** = consider**able**

**BUT…**

Words that end in **e** or **y** are a bit trickier, so we may need to **swap**, **double** or **drop**.

Sometimes we **drop** the final **e** before adding -**able**:

ador**e** + **able** = ador**able**

And sometimes, if a word ends in a consonant + **y**, we **swap** the **y** for an **i** before adding -**able**:

env**y** + **able** = enviable

Miserable is an unusual word, because we **drop** the **y** from misery when we add -**able**:

miser**y** + **able** = miserable

**Words to learn:**

breakable env**i**able (swap the y for an i)

breathable adorable (drop the e)

predictable rel**i**able (swap the y for an i)

lockable charitable (drop the y)

printable believable (drop the e)

comfortable miserable (drop the y)

**Homework** – please learn how to spell these words using the rule above.

We would also like you to use a dictionary (book or online version) to find the definitions of your spelling words. Please record into your spelling books.