This week we will be studying words made up of a base words and a suffix. A suffix is a word part added to the end of a base word. It adds meaning to the base word. The suffix *-less* means "without." The suffix *-ness* means "the condition of."

pain + less = pain**less**   sick + ness = sick**ness**

Students should study the 18 assigned words below. They will be tested on all of them this Friday.

1. painless
2. sickness
3. sadness
4. helpless
5. thankless
6. kindness
7. hopeless
8. darkness
9. fearless
* review word

10. soundless
11. thickness
12. brightness
13. careless
14. softness
15. useful*
16. weakly*
17. breathless
18. eagerness

Vocabulary

This week in vocabulary, we will be focusing on words involving the Amazon.

1. crocodile: reptile with strong jaws and sharp teeth
2. humid: moist or damp
3. monkey: a primate
4. rain forest: ecosystem with many plants and animals and much rain
5. parrot: colorful bird