A suffix is a word part that comes at the end of a word. Suffixes can help us figure out the meanings of words we don’t know. For example, the suffix -er is added to words to compare them.

A sock is small. An ant is smaller.
A hill is high. A mountain is higher.

The suffix -er can also mean a person who does something.
A person who does work is a worker.
A person who teaches is a teacher.
A person who owns something is an owner.

• Finish these sentences by adding -er to the end of the underlined words.

Cake is sweet. Sugar is ________________________________.
A desk is hard. A rock is ________________________________.
A train is fast. An airplane is ____________________________.
A person who likes to read is a ____________________________.
A person who takes a walk is a ____________________________.
A person who likes to play is a ____________________________.

• Write some of your own sentences using words that end in -er. Use the back of this paper. Read your sentences out loud to your family.

Dear Family, Your child is learning to use suffixes to help learn new words.