

**Adding -ing, -ed, -er, -est and
-y to words of one syllable
ending in a single consonant
after a single vowel**



Say the word and clap the syllables (beats).

pat

sad

hum

drop

run



If a word...

has only one syllable

skip

ends with a single consonant

skip

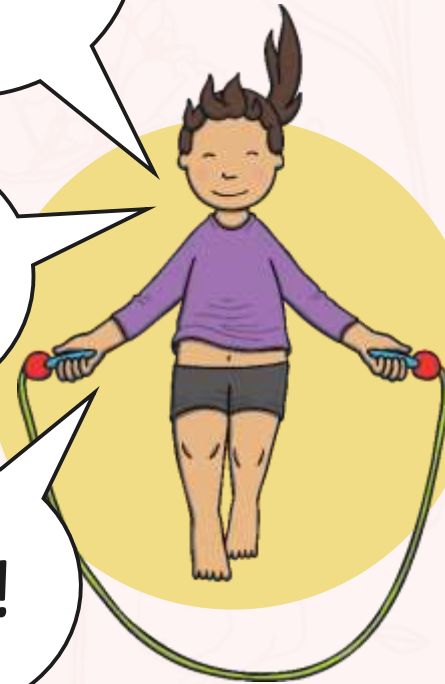
and has a single vowel before
the consonant...

skip

Yes!

Yes!

Yes!



then the **consonant** is **doubled** before the suffix (ending) is added.

skipping



Think about this rule.

pat + **ing** = **patting**

sad + **er** = **sadder**

run + **y** = **runny**

In words of one syllable, that end with a single consonant, with a single vowel before it...

double the
consonant before
adding -ed, -ing,
-er, -est and -y.