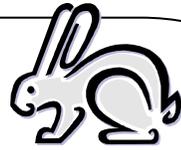


## What are Homophones?

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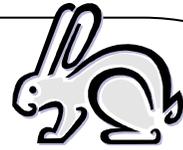
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**Choose the correct homophone to complete each sentence.**

1. Our whole family packed our beach clothes and took a trip to the \_\_\_\_\_(see/sea).
2. Jimmy's mom let him \_\_\_\_\_(great/grate) the cheese for the pizza.
3. I often wished for a \_\_\_\_\_(maid/made) to clean my house for me.
4. Melissa has been a \_\_\_\_\_(dear/deer) friend of mine for many years.
5. The \_\_\_\_\_(sent/cent/scent) of pancakes filled the air as we made breakfast.
6. Grandma put some \_\_\_\_\_(flower/flour) into the bowl to make some dough.
7. Many of the children were wearing \_\_\_\_\_(knew/new) shoes for school.
8. After many hours on the computer, I had to take a \_\_\_\_\_(break/brake).
9. The princess and the \_\_\_\_\_(prints/prince) are children of the king.
10. They had to stay in bed for two days when they got the \_\_\_\_\_(flu/flew).
11. When the janitor mops the floor, he uses a \_\_\_\_\_(pail/pale) to rinse the mop.
12. It's difficult to row the boat without an \_\_\_\_\_(oar/or/ore).
13. The butcher chopped up the \_\_\_\_\_(meet/meat) for his client.
14. Sylvia \_\_\_\_\_(ate/eight) the last of the cereal for breakfast.
15. If you are going to the mall, I would like to go, \_\_\_\_\_(to/too/two).
16. \_\_\_\_\_(Their/They're/There) planning to go to a movie later today.
17. The tiny \_\_\_\_\_(cell/sell) looked much larger under the microscope.
18. The cat screeched loudly when her \_\_\_\_\_(tale/tail) got caught in the door.
19. Our school \_\_\_\_\_(principle/principal) is taking us on a field trip.
20. There is no running \_\_\_\_\_(allowed/aloud) in the school hallways.
21. The man and his \_\_\_\_\_(son/sun) went to the lake to go fishing.
22. Eric could hardly believe it when he \_\_\_\_\_(one/won) the race.

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1. Our whole family packed our beach clothes and took a trip to the sea (see/sea).
2. Jimmy's mom let him grate (great/grate) the cheese for the pizza.
3. I often wished for a maid (maid/made) to clean my house for me.
4. Melissa has been a dear (dear/deer) friend of mine for many years.
5. The scent (sent/cent/scent) of pancakes filled the air as we made breakfast.
6. Grandma put some flour (flower/flour) into the bowl to make some dough.
7. Many of the children were wearing new (knew/new) shoes for school.
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9. The princess and the prince (prints/prince) are children of the king.
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