# HOMONYMS

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Homonym comes form the Greek word; "homo" meaning "same" and "onym" meaning "name"
Homonyms are two words with same spelling or same pronunciation but have different meanings.
There are different homonyms:

- √Homophones
- √Homographs
- $\checkmark Heteronym/heterophone$

| HOMONYMS                                   | HOMOPHONES  | HOMOGRAPHS   |
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| multiple meaning words                     | words that sound alike  | same spelling,<br>different pronunciation,<br>different meanings |
| the <b>spruce</b> tree                     | addition for math   | <b>desert</b> = abandon  |
| to <b>spruce</b> up                        | edition of a book   | <b>desert</b> = area of land                                     |
| <b>suit</b> yourself<br>wore a <b>suit</b> | I want <b>to</b> go<br>I like it <b>too</b><br>One plus one is <b>two</b> | <b>bass</b> = fish<br><b>bass</b> = instrument                   |
| weigh on the <b>scale</b>                  | <b>capitol</b> building   | <b>close</b> = nearby  |
| <b>scale</b> the wall                      | state <b>capital</b>  | <b>close</b> = to shut   |
| the price is <b>fair</b>                   | pick a <b>flower</b>  | <b>bow</b> = to bend down  |
| go to the <b>fair</b>                      | bake with <b>flour</b>  | <b>bow</b> = ribbon  |

### What is a homonym

 A HOMONYM is a word that has the same pronunciation and/or spelling as another word, but a different meaning

## **Common Homonyms**

- Its/ it's
- To/two/too
- There/their/they're
- Your/you're
- Ware/where/wear
- Pair/pare/pear
- No/know
- In/inn

# **Examples of homonyms:**

- *1. bank*, n a shore
- *bank*, n an institution for receiving, lending, exchanging, and safeguarding money.

- *1. ball*, n a sphere; any spherical body;
- 2. **ball**, n a large dancing p[arty.

### **Examples of homophones**

- night, n. knight, n.;
- *piece*, n. *peace*, n.;
- *scent*, n. *cent*, n. *sent*, v. (Past Indef., Past Part, of *to send*);
- *rite*, n. *to write*, v. *right*, adj.;
- *sea*, *n*. *to see*, v. *C* [si:] (the name of a letter).

### **EXAMPLES OF HOMOGRAPHS:**

to bow [bau], v. - to incline the head or body in salutation

- bow [bou], n. a flexible strip of wood for propelling arrows
- to lead [li:d], v. to conduct on the way, go before to show the way

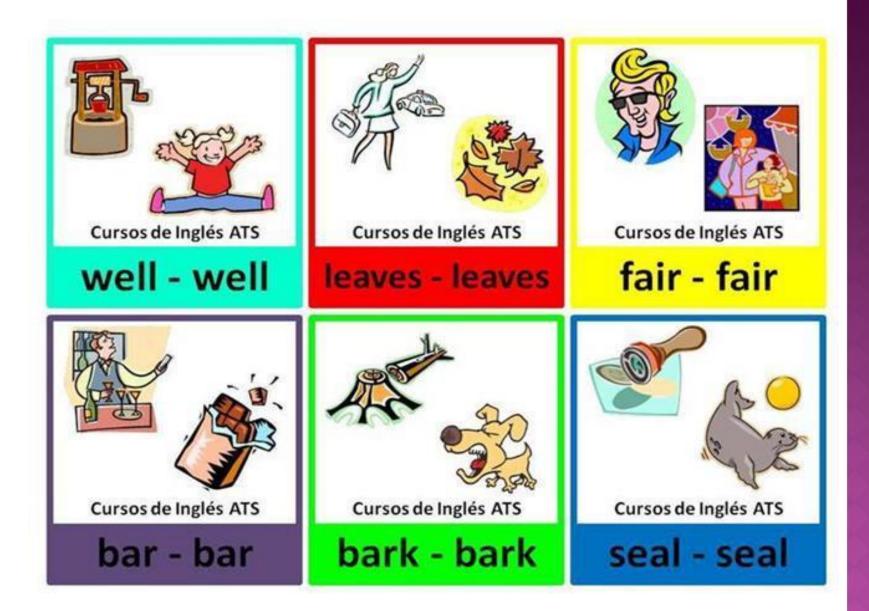
lead [led], n - a heavy, rather soft metal; to tear [te3], v.- to pull apart or in pieces by force

tear [ti3], n.- a drop of the fluid secreted
by the lacrinial glands of the eye

### Homophones / Homonyms Examples

- 1. blue/blew
- 2. they're/their/there
- sun/son
- 4. flour/flower
- 5. for/four
- to/too/two
- hear/here
- knight/night
- 9. see/sea
- 10. stare/stair
- 11. know/no
- 12. than/then
- break/brake
- 14. through/threw
- 15. pail/pale
- passed/past
- 17. you're/your
- red/read
- 19. hour/our
- 20. effect/affect

- 21. be/bee
- 22. ate/eight
- 23. weak/week
- 24. who's/whose
- 25. tail/tale
- 26. dear/deer
- 27. hole/whole
- 28. scent/cent
- 29. tale/tail
- which/witch
- 31. need/knead
- 32. right/write
- rode/road
- sail/sale
- 35. sew/so
- 36. some/sum
- 37. loose/lose
- 38. won/one
- 39. theirs/there's
- 40. knew/new













#### Wreak - Reek:

- You have to teach him that getting wreak is not a good thing.
- Where does this bad reek come from?

#### Route - Root:

- We created our route and set off tomorrow.
- We started to investigate the root of this language.

#### Cent – Sent - Scent:

- Can you give us fifty cents?
- I sent you all messages yesterday.
- Can you feel the scent in the room?

#### Cell - Sell:

- Cells always renew themselves.
- There is a decrease in the sell of our store this month.

#### Allowed - Aloud:

- I'm allowed workplace today.
- The children spoke aloud at school.

#### **Chance - Chants:**

- I wish you good chance in your exam.
- Today we listen to chants.

#### Seas - seize:

- Do seas always smell so good?
- Turtles cannot seize rabbits.

| Abel     |
|----------|
| Accede   |
| Accept   |
| Addition |
| Adds     |
| Check    |
| Clique   |
| Crepe    |
| Dyeing   |
| Fare     |
| Fate     |
| Flu      |
| Graham   |
| Graphed  |
| Heroin   |
| Hertz    |
| Hew      |
| Hey      |
| Hi       |
| Higher   |
| Hoard    |
|          |

Able Exceed Except Edition Adz Czech Click Crape Dying Fair Fete Flew Gram Graft Heroine Hurts Hue Hay High Hire Horde

Hoarse Hoe Hoes Hold Hole Holed Hue Moat Mousse Mowed Mown Mrs **Mucous** Navel Nay Need Neigh New Pail

Horse Ho Hose Holed Whole Hold Hew Mote Moose Mode Moan Misses Mucus Naval Neigh Knead Nay Knew Pale

### HOMOPHONES IN ENGLISH

- Hi High
- Hole Whole
- Hour Our
- I Eye
- Idle Idol
- Knead Need
- Knew New
- Knight Night
- Knot Not
- Know No
- Leak Leek
- Lessen Lesson
- Made Maid
- Mail Male
- Mask Masque
- Meet Meat
- Muscle Mussel
- Pair Pear
- Peace Piece
- Peak Peek
- Plane Plain

- Red Read
- Right Write
- Sauce Source
- Scene Seen
- See Sea
- Soar Sore
- Sole Soul
- Some Sum
- Sort Sought
- Stare Stair
- Steal Steel
- Sun <mark>- S</mark>on
- Tail Tale
- Too Two
- Waste Waist
- Weak Week
- Weather Whether
- Where Wear
- Which Witch
- Won One
- You're Your

Choose the correct homophone in each sentence and write it in the blank space

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| 1. Sitandthe soft music played on the piano.                           | ( here,hear )   |
|--|-----------------|
| 2guys! See my new shoes with<br>heels.                                 | ( hi,high )     |
| 3. He is doing theof a chef and will soon make a cheese                | ( roll,role )   |
| 4the car or you will hit the pole<br>andit.                            | ( break,brake)  |
| 5. In summer, when theis high up in the sky, mylikes to go for a swim. | ( sun,son )     |
| 6. Dotie the two ropes with a  | ( not,knot)     |
| 7. Did you the little bird that was?                                   | ( hear,here)    |
| 8. I willon theside of this notebook.                                  | ( write,right ) |

Homophones are words that sound the same but have different spellings/meanings.

Example-I knew that lisa would wear her new dress.

Write the homophones at its correct place in each sentence.

(1) There is a \_\_\_\_\_\_ in my jeans.

(hole, whole)

- (2) My\_\_\_\_\_let us stay up late last night. (ant, aunt)
- (3) We \_\_\_\_\_strawberries with chocolate sause. (ate, eight)
- (4) I have\_\_\_\_lunch today. no, know
- (5) We usually go to bed at \_\_\_\_\_.

(ate, eight)

(6) I won the game\_\_\_\_\_two points.

(by, bye)

(7) I would like \_\_\_\_\_have cookies with my milk. (to, two) Write the correct homophone to complete each sentence.

| 1.Tom has excellent  | . eye               |
|----------------------|---------------------|
|                      | (site, sight)       |
| 2.The lion has big   |                     |
| (                    | (pause, paws)       |
| 3. Jack has a        | finger.             |
| (soar,               | sore)               |
| 4are you going?      |                     |
| (wear, where)        |                     |
| 5.The bridge is mad  | e of                |
|                      | (steal, steel)      |
| 6.The children put _ | hats on.            |
| (1                   | there, their)       |
| 7. I am              | feeling well today. |
| (knot, not)          |                     |
| 8.There is a         | in my shoelace.     |
| (knot                | , not)              |

