

Read the spelling words and sentences.

homophone for wait

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1. vane

vane

2. principal

principal

3. country

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4. weight

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5. kernel

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6. vein

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7. county

county

8. coarse

coarse

9. invent

invent

10. effect

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11. colonel

colonel

12. dairy

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13. capitol

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14. affect

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15. vain

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16. principle

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17. event

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18. capital

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19. diary

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20. course

*course*The **vane** turns as the wind blows.The school **principal** is a quiet man.The **country** will elect a new president.The **weight** of my cat is nine pounds.There is a corn **kernel** on your tie.A **vein** carries blood to the heart.This **county** includes Redwood City.Claire's dog has **coarse** white fur.Did Edison **invent** the microphone?That speech had no **effect** on me.A **colonel** ranks above a lieutenant.Cheese and yogurt are **dairy** products.State officials meet in the **capitol**.How will the news **affect** your family?The **vain** girl keeps brushing her hair.On **principle**, I will not gossip.The final **event** is the long jump.Which city is the **capital** of your state?I enjoy writing in my **diary**.Which **course** is better to follow?**Think & Sort** the spelling words.1. Write the homophone for **wait**.

2–14. Write each homophone and its partner(s).

15–20. Write the pairs of words that sound similar but are not identical in sound or spelling.

Remember

When words sound similar to each other or when they are homophones, their spellings can be easily confused.

**Spelling
Tutor**

Word Meanings

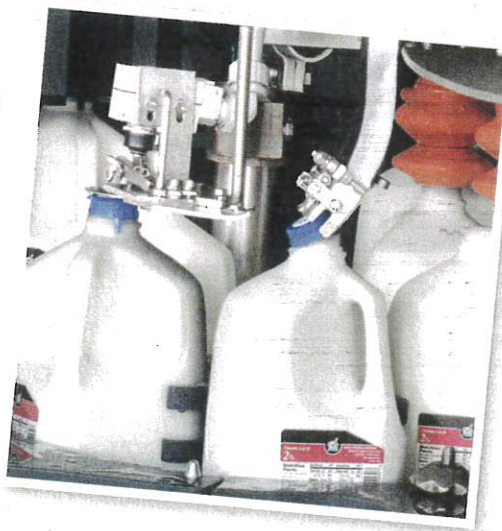
Write the spelling word that fits each clue.

1. You keep a daily record of your experiences in it.
2. This means "to have an influence on."
3. It means "result."
4. This means "rough; not smooth."
5. This is a room or building where milk is stored.
6. A sport may be played on this land.

Word Structure

Decide which letters are missing and write the spelling words.

7. i _ v _ n _
8. co _ n _ r _
9. w _ i _ ht
10. e _ e _ t
11. _ ou _ t _



Use the
Dictionary

Write the homophones for each dictionary respelling.

12-13. /prɪn' sə pəl/

17-18. /kăp' ɪ tɪ/

14-16. /vān/

19-20. /kûr' nəl/

Dictionary Check Be sure to check the spelling of your answers in your **Spelling Dictionary**.

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Use Context Clues

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Use Synonyms

Write the spelling word that best replaces the underlined word or words in each sentence. Check your answers in your **Spelling Dictionary** or **Writing Thesaurus**.

1. This rough fabric is water resistant.
2. I keep my personal journal hidden.
3. The head of the school declared a holiday.
4. Thuy does not borrow money out of a strong guiding rule.
5. The veterinarian looked for a blood vessel in the horse's shoulder.
6. Compare the heaviness of an elephant with that of a car.
7. He is so conceited that he even keeps a mirror in his backpack.
8. The occurrence we are celebrating is your birthday.
9. The building that houses the government is in Austin.
10. Rob took a Spanish class during the summer.



Use Context Clues

Write the spelling words that best complete the paragraph.

Shane plans to visit Joe's grandfather's 11. and egg farm. Both boys prefer the 12. to the city and would 13. any excuse to be outdoors. Joe once put off going inside by feeding corn to the chickens one 14. at a time! Shane likes the 15. that getting up early has on how much he gets done. Joe's grandfather, who is a retired army 16., wakes the boys at five in the morning for chores. This weekend, he will have them choose a new 17. to show the direction the wind blows. He wants one large enough to be visible from the next 18.. The one he has now says MILK in 19. letters. He knows that the direction the wind blows will 20. the weather.

Proofread a Travel Brochure

Proofread the paragraph below for ten misspelled words. Then rewrite the paragraph. Write the spelling words correctly and make the corrections indicated by the proofreading marks.

As the capitle of the United States, Washington, d.c., is the political center of our countrie. A trip here might afect your view of government forever. Congress discusses issues of great wait and upholds each principal that has an affect on our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. The avenues of Washington radiate from the Capital Building, making an easy sightseeing coarse. Streets running North and South are numbered, while those that run the east and west are lettered. While you are in Washington, you may be lucky enough to see an army colnel receive a medal, which is a grand evente.

Proofreading Marks

≡	Make Uppercase
/	Make Lowercase
^	Add
~	Delete
⊙	Add a Period
≡	Indent

Informative/Explanatory Writing

Write a Travel Brochure

Write or type a travel brochure about another popular site in Washington, D.C., such as the Washington Monument or the Lincoln Memorial. Find information about the site at the library or on the Internet. As you write your brochure, use as many spelling words as possible.

- Use the writing process: prewrite, draft, revise, edit, and publish.
- Include specific facts and details about the site to encourage the reader to visit it.
- Use complete sentences with correct capitalization, punctuation, grammar, and spelling.
- Use a print or online dictionary to check your spelling.

Transfer

Write two more pairs of homophones that confuse you. Write a sentence using the words correctly in your Spelling Journal.

Extend & Transfer

Word Study

Commonly Confused Terms A

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Commonly Confused Terms B

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break	invent	kernel	diary	bridal
steal	effect	vein	cession	naval
steel	affect	county	session	bridle
waist	principle	coarse	palate	
waste	event	colonel	pallet	
principal	capital	dairy	verses	
country	course	capitol	versus	

Commonly Confused Terms

A. Study the definitions for each commonly confused word pair below. Write the correct spelling word for each.

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| 1. a. important rule | b. school leader |
| 2. a. very proud | b. blood vessel |
| 3. a. synonym for create | b. a happening |
| 4. a. the giving up of something | b. a meeting |

B. One word in each sentence is incorrect. Write the correct word. Use your **Spelling Dictionary** to check your answers.

5. The course sand felt rough under my feet.
6. We live in the largest country in Texas.
7. Mom likes to write about the day's events in her dairy.
8. I found a colonel of corn on the kitchen floor.
9. My folks have more than 500 cows on their diary farm.
10. The weather vain was pointing toward the west.

Language Arts



Word Hunt

Read the descriptive paragraph. Look for easily confused words.

The English language is full of words that sound the same or almost the same. So it's very easy to use the wrong word or to hear the wrong word. For example, say this sentence: *I need the bread.* Or is it *I knead the bread?* Of course, it depends on what you mean. The sentences below are word plays. Translate the sentences in your mind. Change some words but not others. Which would make a funny cartoon?

- ☀ Moles borough through fields in search of earthworms.
- ☀ Her bridle gown was made of ivory satin.
- ☀ I have a delicious naval orange in my lunch box.
- ☀ Do not waist drinking water.
- ☀ That file cabinet is made of steal.

There are other words we simply get mixed up, such as *dessert* and *desert*. One is something you might want to eat. The other isn't. Which word works in this sentence? *It was very hot in the (dessert or desert).*

It's easy to be confused by *stationary* and *stationery*. *Stationary* means "not moving," so think of *stay* and you might remember the second *a* in *stationary*. *Stationery* is writing paper. Think of *stationery* and *letter* and you might remember the *e* in *stationery*.

Playing with words is grate fun. Oops! I mean, great fun.



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WORD SORT

1–10. Look at the sentences that are marked with a sun symbol. A word in each sentence is incorrect. Identify the incorrect word, and then write the correct word.