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Test Your Speaking & Listening Skills

Sound-Alike Words 1

Words which sound the same as each other but have different spellings and meanings are called **homophones**. Read the sentences below. Underline the incorrect word in each sentence and write a sound-alike word (a word that sounds the same but which fits the sentence) in the space provided:

1.	Laura's son's feat are unusually wide.	
2.	Labour won fifty seats at the local counsel election.	
3.	They've used a pale blew colour scheme for their bathroom.	
4.	'I'm really board.' 'So am I. Do you fancy a walk?'	
5.	The children were only aloud to watch TV for two hours a day.	
6.	Jenny felt feint, so she went upstairs to have a lie down.	
7.	We travelled to Birmingham buy train.	
8.	Paul and Ravinder aunt going bowling because they're too busy.	
9.	There were ate people in the queue at the post office.	
10.	. Don't bee afraid to ask if you don't understand the question.	
11.	. I'd like some toast and a bowl of serial for breakfast, please.	
12.	. I don't like sad films or books where people dye at the end.	
13.	. How much father is it until we get there?	
14.	. I've been trying to learn the base guitar, but it's quite difficult.	
15.	. My brother has just started a new computer coarse.	
16.	. Jack was find a hundred and fifty pounds for driving offences.	
17.	. Would you like any bred and butter with your chips?	
18.	. How much does your father urn?	
19.	. Our dogs like to berry all kinds of things in the back garden.	
20.	. 'I don't feel very well.' 'Oh deer. Have you seen a doctor?'	

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Sound-Alike Words 2

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1.	'Darling, you will always have a special place in my hart.'	
2.	You missed a grate party at Audrey's at the weekend.	
3.	You have got a real flare for designing furniture.	
4.	On the golf course for players shouted 'Fore!' at the same time.	
5.	Have you seen my new genes anywhere?	
6.	The snow was falling heavily upon the fur trees.	
7.	Please say 'high' to Rasul for me.	
8.	The defendant was lead into the courtroom by a policewoman.	
9.	I'm late because I had to get a new heal for my shoe.	
10.	Martin Luther King is one of Becky's idles.	
11.	The hotel will be open inn two months' time.	
12.	Can you talk a bit louder? I can't here you very well.	
13.	Its been three years since we went to Venice.	
14.	The kids charged down the stairs like a heard of rhinos.	
15.	I applied for a lone at my bank, but was turned down.	
16.	I enjoy living life in the fast lain.	
17.	There's a whole in your argument a mile wide.	
18.	'Going bald is the leased of my worries!' joked Geoff, feebly.	
19.	I bought Magda a bunch of flours to apologise for what I said.	
20.	Your new office is on the fourth flaw.	

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Information Exchange – General Purpose Template

Find a partner to work with. Write a different number from between 1 and 100 in each small square in both 'Me' grids. Your partner will do the same on their sheet. Ask your partner which numbers they have written in their grids and write them in the correct places on the 'My Partner' grids. Use prepositional phrases like: 'in the bottom left square on Grid 1' or 'in the top right corner square on Grid 2' to describe the position of each number.

Note: you could use the grid to repeat the exercise with different vocabulary groups

instead of numbers. For example, letters of the alphabet, types of food, clothes, adjectives, and so on ... me: grid 2 grid 1 my partner: grid 2 grid 1

Basic Sentence Punctuation 1

Write the sentences and add capital letters, full stops and question marks:

1.	my sister's name is jackie
2.	friday is my favourite day of the week
3.	i like watching eastenders on bbc 1
4.	charles dickens was a famous writer he was born in portsmouth
5.	lisa and chantal are going on holiday to portugal in may
6.	did you go to school today
7.	my new address is 248 normanton road in nottingham
8.	when are you going to the hospital
9.	my doctor is getting a new receptionist she's called louise robson
10.	ben and i are going to look round leicester grammar school on wednesday

Basic Sentence Punctuation 2

Write the sentences and add capital letters, full stops and question marks:

1.	how do I get to the library from here
2.	the coach for london leaves in about half an hour
3.	my birthday is in september i usually go out for a drink with my friends
4.	what do you want for dinner tonight
5.	birmingham is the second largest city in the uk
6.	i'll have a coke please and two packets of walkers crisps
7.	if you need to see a consultant go to the derbyshire royal infirmary
8.	mary poppins is my mum's favourite film she likes julie andrews
9.	i drive a red fiat punto and my uncle drives a green bmw
10.	i joined morton park golf club last week it was very expensive

Question Forms Using Verb 'to be' (Present Simple Tense) 1

Rearrange the words in each sentence to make a question using verb 'to be' in the present simple tense.

Don't forget to put a capital letter at the start of each sentence and a question mark at the

1.	what brother's is name your	
2.	is what address your	
3.	favourite is your food what	
4.	is your what name	
5.	date the what today is	
6.	much how that shirt is	
7.	are how you	
8.	your what is surname	
9.	your postcode what is	
10.	your when birthday is	

Essential English

Just Vowels - Days, Months and Seasons 1

Fill in the gaps to spell the names of days, months and seasons:

- 1. __i_a_
- 2. O__o_e_
- 3. __u__a_
- 4. A _ _ i _
- 5. _ e _ _ u a _ _
- 6. _ o _ a _
- 7. _a_u__a_
- 8. au_u__
- 9. _a_ua__
- 10. _o_e__e_
- 11. _ a _ _ _
- 12. _ u _ e

Second Conditional 2

If I bought a video recorder,	I wouldn't miss my favourite soap.
If I wore that red dress,	they would all notice me.
If I left it up to you,	we wouldn't get anything done.
If I had a word-processing package,	I could type up my reports.
If I were twenty years' younger,	I'd marry her!
If I needed help,	I would ask you.
If I moved to Canada,	I could get a good job out there.
If we took part in the quiz,	we might win it.
If we saw that film,	you wouldn't enjoy it.
If the computer crashed,	you'd lose all your unsaved work.
If our boat got lost,	we'd have to call for help.
If I told her that I'm a vegetarian,	she'd be surprised.
If my washing machine broke,	l'd get it mended.
If I had a heart attack,	I might die.
If I were Prime Minister,	I'd privatise the NHS.

Third Conditional 1

If you'd eaten your dinner,	you wouldn't have been hungry.
If I'd married Harry,	we would have been happy.
If I'd sold my car to you,	you'd have got a bargain.
If you'd attended every lesson,	you'd have passed that exam easily.
If it'd been sunny yesterday,	we would've gone to the beach.
If I'd told you about Chantal,	you wouldn't have believed me.
If we'd read the map properly,	we wouldn't have got lost.
If you'd asked her,	she could've come as well.
If I'd won the lottery,	I wouldn't be shopping in charity shops!
If you'd eaten all of your main course,	you could've had some dessert.
If I'd had the chance,	I would have gone to university.
If I'd had your phone number,	I could've called you.
If I'd asked the doctor,	she would've advised me on what to do.
If I'd lent you my lawnmower,	you would have broken it.
If I'd watched that programme,	I would've been bored stiff.

Third Conditional 2

If I'd had the salmon,	I might have got food poisoning.
If I'd gone to the interview,	I might have got the job.
If they'd scored another goal,	they would've won.
If I'd found some money,	I would've handed it in.
If I'd taken a taxi,	I would have been there by now.
If I'd thrown away your magazine,	you would've been annoyed.
If I'd gone on the trip to London,	I would've visited Hyde Park.
If I'd eaten your chocolates,	I would've felt a bit guilty.
If I'd known it was your birthday,	I would've got you a present.
If we didn't remember which room it was,	we could've asked Stephen.
If the train had been late,	we would've missed our appointment.
If I'd had the courage,	I would've confronted her.
If I'd opened the shop on Sundays,	I would've compromised my beliefs.
If you'd been here earlier,	you could have had a free drink.
If my shirt had been dry,	I could have put it on.

Who is who?

Match the descriptions to the people.



Ive got brown hair, I'm plump, I'm wearing blue jeans, a coat, a striped scarf and a pompon hat. I'm carrying firewood.

I'm in my early forties. I've got protruding ears and big eyes. I'm wearing blue jeans, a yellow raincoat, a hat and grey wellingtons. I'm holding an umbrella because it's raining.



I've got short brown hair, I'm a teenager, I'm wearing light brown shorts and an orange shirt, I'm also wearing brown socks and leather sandals, I'm eating a watermelon,

I'm in my mid-sixties. I've got fair hair. I'm wearing blue patterned pyjamas, a green dressing gown and brown slippers. I'm holding a red comb.

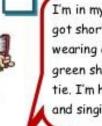


Im in my late twenties, I've got fair hair, I'm wearing a red sweatshirt, grey jeans and blue trainers, I'm carrying a stack of books,

Ive got short greyish hair and a long nose. I'm in my early forties. I'm wearing a black suit. I'm a music lover.



I'm in my late forties. I've got brown hair, Im wearing blue jeans and a red checked shirt, I'm holding an axe and chopping firewood Im in my forties. I've got red hair. I'm wearing a blue short-sleeved shirt, brown trousers and a pink apron. I'm setting the table for dinner.



I'm in my early fifties. I've got short greyish hair. I'm wearing a blue suit, a seagreen shirt and a yellow bow tie. I'm holding a microphone and singing my favourite song.

I'm in my late twenties,
I've got red hair, I'm slim,
I'm wearing a purple Tshirt, shorts and a helmet
I'm rollerblading,



I'm in my late seventies.

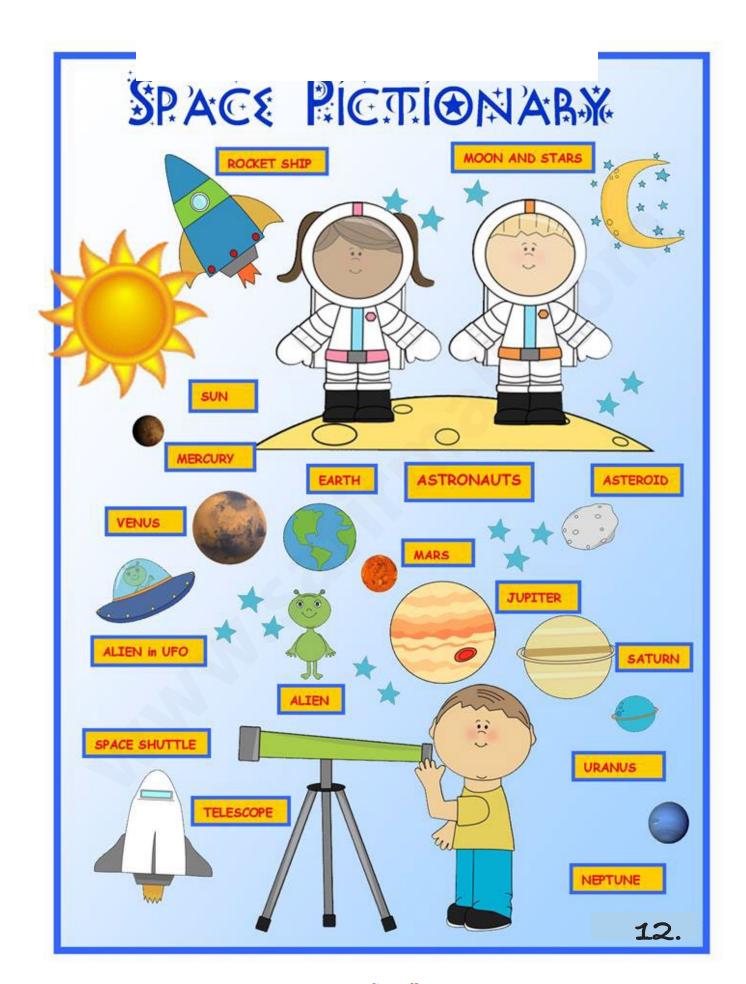
I've got straggly grey hair.

I'm wearing a red singlet,
purple shorts and trainers.

I'm running in my twentieth
marathon.

I've got short brown hair.
I'm in my forties, I'm wearing
red trousers, a checked
jacket and an orange bow tie,
I'm holding some daisies for a
girl I'm in love with.

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Places

Write the correct number in front of each word:



zoo ____ zoo ____ cafe ____ park ____ railway station ____ restaurant ____ gas station ____ amusement park ____ church____ hospital____ airport____ bus stop____ hotel____

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Giving Directions



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Match the questions with the answers.
(Join with arrows)

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Excuse me! Could you tell me the way to the hotel?

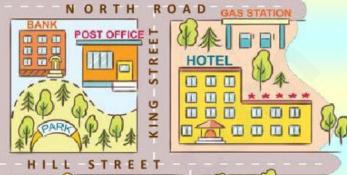
Excuse me! Is there a post office near here?

Hello! Could you help me? I need to go to the supermarket.

Hello! Good morning. Could you tell me how to get to the school?

Excuse me. Do you know where the stadium is?

Excuse me. Could you tell me where the closest bank is?





Of course. Go straight ahead and take the second turning on the left. It is on your right, opposite the church.

Sure! Take the first turning on the left into Hill Street. You'll find it on your right, opposite the bus station.

Of course! Take the first turning on the right, go past the cinema and the pharmacy and cross River Street. You'll see it on your left, opposite the café.

Yes, of course. Go straight ahead and cross Hill Street. Continue straight ahead and you'll see it on your right, opposite the hospital.

Yes. Go along Central Avenue and take the second turning on the right. It's on your left, next to the theatre.

Certainly! Go straight ahead and take the first turning on the right. Go past the park and take the first turning on the left. It's on your left, next to the park.

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