

### Commonly Confused Words

1. She worked harder (than, then) she had ever worked before.
2. If I had known your number, I would (have, of) called.
3. Everyone is (already, all ready) to play Bingo.
4. (Whose, Who's) shorts are hanging from the flagpole?
5. Britney has (a lot, a lot) of problems.
6. The program changes will not (affect, effect) you.
7. What is your (principal, principle) reason for wearing a parrot on your head?
8. (Whose, Who's) hiding in your closet?
9. Last year Beckham (led, lead) the league in goals.
10. Get your facts first, and (then, than) you can distort them as much as you please.
11. What (affect, effect) did the plant's closing have on the economy?
12. There cannot be a crisis next week: my schedule is (all ready, already) full.
13. Computers are being called on to perform many new functions, including the consumption of homework (formally, formerly) eaten by the dog.
14. Although the recording (device, devise) was primitive, (you're, your) voice came across clearly.
15. I was (conscience, conscious) after the collision but (to, too) frightened (to, too) move.
16. Following the ice storms, (there, their, they're) (maybe, may be) a plague of locusts and a swarm of frogs.
17. The handle was (lose, loose) and could (have, of) fallen off at any moment.
18. The student (accepted, excepted) the scholarship with pride.
19. The best (advise, advice) I ever received came from my mother.

20. The children are (all together, altogether) too noisy when they are (all together, altogether) at family reunions.
21. I would (advise, advice) you to not text while you are driving.
22. He (passed, past) his test with flying colors.
23. (It's, Its) possible that he wrote the appointment down incorrectly.
24. You should (proceed, precede) with your plans to attend college.
25. Mary used to collect stamps, but that was in the (passed, past).
26. You need to (ensure, insure) that you turn all of your homework in if you want to get a good grade.
27. Be sure not to (lose, loose) your keys.
28. (Where, Wear, Were) are you going?
29. She bought new (stationery, stationary) to write her thank you notes on
30. He (threw, through, thru) his golf clubs into the back of the car.
31. (Your, Your're) going to be late for the party.
32. (Accept, Except) for her sister, everyone attended the reunion.

33. A mirage in the desert is not actually water; it is only an (illusion, allusion).
34. The speaker at the conference made an (illusion, allusion) to his past success.
35. The student got the questions on the test (alright, all right); this made him feel (alright, all right).
36. (A part, Apart) of the bridge had broken and come (a part, apart).
37. The climbing guide gave his (assent, ascent) for the team to being their (ascent, ascent) up the mountain.
38. When you write out the name Washington DC, you must use a (capitol, capital) letter at the beginning of the word because it is the (capitol, capital) of the United States.
39. The air was very thin, making it hard to (breath, breathe)
40. After running for an hour, the athlete was short of (breath, breathe)
41. The camp (site, sight, cite) was around the bend, and within (site, sight, cite) of the river.
42. When doing a report, don't forget to (site, sight, cite) your sources.
43. I gave the woman a (compliment, complement) on how well the color of her eyes (compliment, complement) her dress.
44. Stealing the money did not bother the thief's (conscience, conscious) at all.
45. The judge gathered a (council, counsel) of his closest friends to (council, counsel) him on his current case.
46. Trying to (elicit, illicit) illegal drugs from a bystander is an (elicit, illicit) activity.
47. Studying hard will (ensure, insure) that you learn a great deal.
48. The rabbit looked very cute cleaning (its, it's) paw.
49. The trailers always (proceed, precede) the movie at the theater.
50. Take a beginner class in Karate if you want to learn the (principal, principle) of martial arts.
51. The cat was almost invisible as long as it remained (stationary, stationery)
52. (There, Their, They're) are rangers at the state park, and (there, their, they're) very nice.
53. The motorcycle went quickly (through, threw) the tunnel.

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54. The man next to me was carrying (to, two, too) bags of groceries (to, two, too).
55. She decided to (where, wear) her new dress to the dance.
56. I was wondering if (your, you're) going to bring (your, you're) car to the drive in movie.