

Name: _____

Homonyms and Homophones

1. I have never heard that song before. herd/heard
2. That is a big herd of cattle. herd/heard
3. Today I have a pear in my lunch. pear/pair
4. The prisoner doesn't like to be in his cell. sell/cell
5. I finally got a new pair of shoes. pear/pair
6. May I borrow your cell to make a call? sell/cell
7. You forgot to say hi to your aunt. hi/high
8. It is too high for me to reach. hi/high
9. Did you enjoy the last book you read ? red/read
10. I do not like the color red. red/read

HOMOGRAPHS



Homographs are spelled the same but have different meanings.

Example: I enjoy the fall (season).



Be careful not to fall.



A In each sentence, circle the homograph described in the brackets.

1. I didn't feel well while I was digging the well. (hole holding water)
2. I wish that all the money made at the silver mine was mine! (possessive)
3. He was supposed to address the students at 1 p.m. but he was late because he lost the school's address. (to talk to a group)
4. During the fast, the students didn't have enough energy to run fast. (period where you don't eat)
5. Every time I fly, I think that people below must think that the plane is a giant house fly. (insect)
6. The man made a grave error when he buried the woman in the wrong grave at the cemetery. (fatal or major mistake)
7. Does anyone know how many does are killed every year? (female deer)
8. Please don't sock me in the mouth for stealing your socks! (hit)
9. Using a minute of your time to volunteer is minute in comparison to its impact. (small)
10. Don't jam your thumb trying to open the jar of jam! (a condiment that is often put on toast)

B Using the following in a sentence.

1. Minute (time): Wait one minute and then I will help you.
2. Minute (small): An ant is a minute insect.
3. Well (good): You are doing so well in English, you
4. Well (hole, holding water): Could you pump water from the well please?



have
an
Ant!

