

Common Homophones with English Words

Homophones can be heard by a message receiver differently than the sender expected. When sending messages, we need to be aware of how words sound and use the I SPELL Proword as needed to ensure accurate copy by the receiver.

The message context may offer clues to the receiver on the correct word. Use I SPELL with caution, do not overuse it, but use it if you think the receiver may not copy the word correctly.

ad	add	duel	dual
air	heir	eye	I
aisle	isle	fair	fare
allowed	aloud	flea	flee
altar	alter	flour	flower
ate	eight	heal	heel
band	banned	hear	here
bare	bear	heard	herd
be	bee	higher	hire
bean	been	him	hymn
beat	beet	hoard	horde
billed	build	hole	whole
blew	blue	hour	our
board	bored	idle	idol
brake	break	knead	need
but	butt	knew	new
buy	by	knight	night
cell	sell	knit	nit
cent	scent	knot	not
cereal	serial	know	no
coarse	course	knows	nose
complement	compliment	leak	leek
council	counsel	lessen	lesson
dear	deer	made	maid
die	dye	mail	male

meat	meet
missed	mist
muscle	mussel
naval	navel
none	nun
one	won
pair	pear
peace	piece
peak	peek
plain	plane
pray	prey
principal	principle
rain	reign
raise	rays
read	red
real	reel
right	write
role	roll
root	route
rose	rows
sail	sale
scene	seen
sea	see
seam	seem
sew	so

slay	sleigh
sight	site
slay	sleigh
sole	soul
some	sum
son	sun
stair	stare
stake	steak
steal	steel
suite	sweet
sweet	suite
tail	tale
their	there
there	their
throne	thrown
to	too
toe	tow
waist	waste
wait	weight
waive	wave
way	weigh
weak	week
wear	where
whine	wine
wood	would