

Homophones: Words That Are Often Confused

Choose the correct word to complete each sentence.

1. Chris' mother purchased his (stationery / stationary) at the new bookstore in town.
2. Misers are people who (hoard / horde) money.
3. (Practice / Practise) writing well, and soon, your handwriting will be easy to read.
4. The conductor walked down the (aisle / isle) of the minibus to collect the (fear / fare / fair) from the passengers.
5. During my trip overseas, I recorded everything that happened in my (dairy / diary).
6. (Lightening / Lightning) and thunder usually accompany heavy rainfall.
7. Ships (berth / birth) in the deep water harbour along South (Quay / Key) in Port of Spain.
8. The accused woman sought (council / counsel) from her lawyer.
9. Many people enjoy eating (cereal / serial) for breakfast.

10. I would like to (compliment / complement) you on your success in all of your examinations.
11. The (principle / principal) of the university called an emergency meeting of the staff.
12. (Illicit / Elicit) drugs are a menace in every country.
13. The (route / root) along the countryside is quite picturesque.
14. A man of his (metal / mettle) can face dangerous situations without fear.
15. The dark clouds and strong winds were signs that rain was (imminent / eminent).