

1 25))) A recent survey found the ten words most commonly misspelt by British people. Listen to sentences 1–10 and complete the missing words. How many did you spell correctly? What do many of the words have in common?

1 He always _____ to his father as 'my old man'.

2 I like all vegetables except _____.

3 The food was _____, but no more than that.

4 I think taking the dog with us is an _____ complication.

5 There was a _____ of opinion that the article should not be published.

6 It was a very strange _____.

7 Please don't _____ me by wearing that hat!

8 In your driving test you will be asked to perform some standard _____.

9 We'll _____ be there by seven.

10 They married in 2010, but _____ two years later.

1 26))) Now listen to the following poem.
Find nine spelling mistakes of a different
kind. What is the message of the poem?

I have a spelling checker
It came with my PC
It plainly marks for my revue
Mistakes I cannot sea
I've run this poem threw it
I'm sure your pleased to no
It's letter-perfect in it's weigh
My checker tolled me sew

1 28))) Look at the phonetics for a word which is often misspelt, but never corrected by spell checkers. How is it pronounced? Listen and check.

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Now complete the gaps with three different spellings of the word in **a**.

- 1 _____ pronoun + contracted verb
- 2 _____ adverb
- 3 _____ possessive adjective

- a 1 29 Listen to six people talking with different native-speaker accents. Which one speaks with RP? Write the speaker's number in the 'England' box. Can you match any of the other accents?



Mairi



Diarmuid



Jerry



Andrea



Lily



Paul

- ☐ Australia
- ☐ Ireland
- ☐ England (RP)

- ☐ Scotland
- ☐ South Africa
- ☐ the USA