

Confusing verbs

VOCABULARY BANK

a Match the verbs and photos.

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| 2 wear /weə/
jewellery
clothes | carry /ˈkæri/
a bag
a baby |
| win /wɪn/
a match
a medal
a prize | earn /ɜːn/
a salary
money |
| know /nəʊ/
somebody well
something | meet /miːt/
somebody for the first time
at 11 o'clock |
| 1 hope /həʊp/
that something good will happen
to do sth | wait /weɪt/
for a bus
for a long time |
| watch /wɒtʃ/
TV
a match | look at /lʊk æt/
a photo
a view |
| look /lʊk/
happy
about 25 years old | look like /lʊk laɪk/
your mother
a model |
| miss /mɪs/
the bus
a class | lose /luːz/
a match
your glasses |
| bring /brɪŋ/
your dictionary (to class)
sth back from holiday | take /teɪk/
an umbrella (with you)
your children to school |
| look for /lʊk fɔː/
your glasses
a job | find /faɪnd/
your glasses
a job |
| say /seɪ/
sorry
hello
something to sb | tell /tel/
a joke
a lie
somebody something |
| lend /lend/
money to sb | borrow /ˈbɒrɒ/
money from sb |
| hear /hɪə/
a noise
the doorbell | listen to /ˈlɪsn tə/
music
the radio |



b Circle the correct verb. Then answer the questions

- Who do you look / look like in your family?
- How many English classes have you missed / lost this year?
- What music do you like hearing / listening to in the car?
- Do you think football players win / earn too much money?
- What is the best way to know / meet new friends?
- Is it sometimes OK to say / tell a lie?
- Have you ever lent / borrowed money to a family member?
- Do you know anyone who's looking for / finding a flat?
- What clothes do you usually carry / wear during the week?
- Do you ever look at / watch films on your phone?

c Complete the sentences with a verb from the list.



- a She's carrying a coat.
- b She's wearing a coat.

carrying earns found heard
listened to looking at looking for
watching wearing wins



- 2 a He's _____ a picture.
b He's _____ TV.



- 3 a She's _____ her keys.
b She's _____ her keys.



- 4 a He _____ a lot of matches.
b He _____ a lot of money.



- 5 a We _____ the ambulance.
b We _____ the radio.

Homophones

Homophones are words with different spellings, but the same pronunciation. Some of the confusing verbs in 4 are homophones, e.g. I can't **hear** you. Please come **here**.

f Listen to the pairs of sentences, and complete sentence b with a homophone of the **bold** word.

- 1 a What are you going to **wear** tonight?
b A _____ are you from? B I'm from Warsaw.
- 2 a I don't **know** what to do.
b There's _____ milk in the fridge!
- 3 a Hi. Nice to **meet** you.
b Do you want _____ or fish?
- 4 a The maximum **weight** for hand luggage is ten kilos.
b I'm coming! _____ for me!
- 5 a Please **write** soon.
b Is it on the left or on the _____?
- 6 a There's only **one** ticket left.
b Brazil _____ the match 5-1.
- 7 a I can't **see** the board!
b I love swimming in the _____.
- 8 a Have you ever read **War** and Peace?
b It was cold, so she _____ a coat.



d Complete the sentences with the **bold** verbs in the correct tense.

1 look, look like

You **look** _____ very smart in that suit. In fact, you **look like** a businessman!

2 miss, lose

I _____ my ticket and had to buy another one, so I _____ the train.

3 say, tell

My son doesn't often _____ lies, but if he does, he always _____ sorry.

4 hope, wait

I'm _____ for the bus. I _____ it'll come soon because it's raining.

5 know, meet

Laura _____ Sam on a safari last summer, so she's _____ him for a year now.

6 borrow, lend

If you need to _____ some money, I can _____ you £50.

7 bring, take

I can _____ you to the shopping centre, but I can't _____ you home.

e Complete the questions with a verb from c or d in the correct tense. Answer the questions

- 1 What will you do if there's nothing to **watch** _____ on TV tonight?
- 2 Have you ever _____ something important and then found it? What was it?
- 3 How often do you _____ old photos?
- 4 What kind of music do you _____ to?
- 5 Have you ever _____ a prize? What for?



g Listen and tick (✓) the words you hear.

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| 1 know | ☒ | no | ☐ | 5 right | ☐ | write | ☐ |
| 2 where | ☐ | wear | ☐ | 6 meat | ☐ | meet | ☐ |
| 3 sea | ☐ | see | ☐ | 7 wait | ☐ | weight | ☐ |
| 4 war | ☐ | wore | ☐ | 8 one | ☐ | won | ☐ |

h Listen and write four sentences. Then practise saying them.

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