



Unit 1

Homographs are words that sound the same and are spelled the same but have different meanings.

There's a **fly** caught in that sticky spider web. It can't **fly** away.

Write a letter to match each underlined homograph with its meaning.

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| _____ 1. It takes strength to correctly <u>pound</u> in a nail. | a. not nice |
| _____ 2. Our family plans to adopt a dog from the <u>pound</u> . | b. a furry wild animal |
| _____ 3. This movie is too <u>long</u> to watch before dinner. | c. a dog breed |
| _____ 4. I <u>long</u> to see my best friend who moved away. | d. to take a break |
| _____ 5. A wild polar <u>bear</u> can't survive without its icy habitat. | e. remainder |
| _____ 6. I can't <u>bear</u> the smell of rotting garbage. | f. to stand, put up with |
| _____ 7. Banks store valuables in a <u>safe</u> . | g. to have as a purpose |
| _____ 8. We walk our dog on a leash to keep him <u>safe</u> . | h. lengthy |
| _____ 9. I didn't <u>mean</u> to cut in front of you. | i. to hammer |
| _____ 10. Carl is often <u>mean</u> to his little brother. | j. a locked container |
| _____ 11. We need to take our <u>husky</u> to the vet. | k. an animal shelter |
| _____ 12. Jan's older brother is <u>husky</u> from playing football. | l. strong and sturdy |
| _____ 13. You seem really tired. Why don't you sit down and <u>rest</u> ? | m. to strongly desire |
| _____ 14. Luka and Yuki got perfect scores on the test, but the <u>rest</u> of us didn't do as well. | n. free from harm |

Trickster's Prank

Circle the letter beside the meaning that matches each underlined homograph.

1. He put a glossy finish on the table.
r to bring to an end
s to use entirely
t final coat on a surface
2. When it was time to speak, he forgot his lines.
f strong slender cards
g to cover the inner surface
h words a character speaks in a play
3. She had to face the fact that he was gone.
n front part of the human head
o recognize and deal with
p the front, upper, or outer surface
4. Use a magnifying glass to see that minute insect.
c very small
d sixty seconds
e a brief note
5. Miniature golf is a game of precision.
r animals taken in hunting
s activity for amusement
t number of points necessary to win
6. He likes to spring out from behind doors to scare me.
j a source of water from the ground
k a tightly wound cord
l leap or jump suddenly
7. Clear away the dishes and run the dishwasher.
o transparent
p to remove things
q bright, cloudless
8. The new fence will run parallel with the road.
h to enter an election
i to take a certain direction
j a score made in baseball
9. He waved his baton to conduct the orchestra.
e to lead
f to transmit electricity
g a standard of behavior
10. The roof had an unusually steep pitch.
k degree of slope
l highness or lowness of sound
m sales talk

