



WORDS EASILY CONFUSED

SAME
LOOK.
DIFFERENT
MEANING.

Use the correct tense or form of the words in the boxes to complete the sentences in each group below. In some cases, more than one word may be correct.

stop avoid forbid prohibit ban prevent



1. The burglars heard the police arriving and escaped out of the back door, _____ arrest.
2. They _____ smoking in the building, but that hasn't _____ the employees smoking on the balcony.
3. The government has taken strict measures to _____ accidents on motorways.
4. The law _____ the use of mobile phones while driving, but even if it didn't, I would _____ my daughter to do so when she borrows our car.

blame accuse arrest charge convict sentence

5. The police _____ Mr Jones and _____ him with assault.
6. The man was _____ of murder and _____ to twenty years in prison.
7. Don't _____ us for the broken window - we weren't the ones playing football this morning.
8. Patrick has been _____ of forgery.



deceive cheat lie

9. 'Don't _____ to me. I know you weren't at school today!' shouted my mother.
10. The student tried to _____ during the test, but the teacher caught him and took away his paper.
11. When Kim discovered that John was _____ customers by changing the sell-by-date on the packages, she contacted the health inspector.

CRIME SCENE