

## Confusing words

Fill in the gaps with: *some time, sometime, sometimes*.

1. Peter said we would get married \_\_\_\_\_ next year, but I no longer believe him!
2. I \_\_\_\_\_ wonder why you never feel happy! you've got everything you need!
3. She lived in Spain for \_\_\_\_\_ and now speaks perfect Spanish.
4. The last time I met her was \_\_\_\_\_ in May.
5. He will do it, don't worry, but it'll take him \_\_\_\_\_ !

### Through or threw?

- a. Lena \_\_\_\_\_ me a kiss as she ran out the door.
- b. "He had read somewhere a story about a woman who \_\_\_\_\_ the handset of her phone at an attacker, and killed him. Needless to say, there had been some luck involved in that eventuality."
- c. "Chris Bostic . . . stepped up as calmly as if he were ringing a doorbell and \_\_\_\_\_ a perfect spiral \_\_\_\_\_ the target."
- d. "Mum and I have already stepped in \_\_\_\_\_ the small black iron door, which the wind closed like an unseen butler, and currents are pulling us up the garden, around by the wall."

### Desert or dessert?

- e. Cacti are found in (**deserts , desserts** ) all over the world.
- f. Jerry baked a seven-layer cake for (**desert , dessert** ).
- g. Camels, which can store plenty of water, provide good transportation in dry (**deserts , desserts** ).
- h. After twenty-five years of support, Rowland (**deserted, desserted** ) his wife.

**Vice or vise? Fumble or humble?**

- a. In those days the worst \_\_\_\_\_ in England was pride, I guess—the worst vice of all, because folks thought it was a virtue."
- b. The \_\_\_\_\_ president acted as an intermediary to resolve disputes involving two or more agencies.
- c. "Animals breathe in what animals breathe out, and \_\_\_\_\_ versa."
- d. "He went to the end of the tool bench and cranked open the \_\_\_\_\_, then slipped a small piece of sheet metal in and clamped the vise tight."
- e. He \_\_\_\_\_ about in the dark but could not find her.
- f. You can wear \_\_\_\_\_ clothes that are old and cheap, which make you stick out like a sore thumb at a royal wedding

**1. Goal or gaol? Personal or personnel?**

I am always excited to see Ronaldo hitting a \_\_\_\_\_.  
The cashier was sent *to* \_\_\_\_\_ for embezzling society funds.  
His \_\_\_\_\_ is to get a seat in a medical college.

XYZ Co. is letting go of *personal/personnel* at an alarming rate.

My *personal/personnel* files include notes on how to take over the world using just a red paperclip.

"I wish Frances would stop sticking her nose into my \_\_\_\_\_ affairs," said Dr. Hildebraand.