

# Confusing Words

Choose the correct word.

## 1. ACCEPT / EXCEPT

1. I offered her an apology, but she wouldn't \_\_\_\_\_ it.
2. The museum is open daily \_\_\_\_\_ Mondays.
3. Everyone was there \_\_\_\_\_ for Sally.
4. The new telephones will \_\_\_\_\_ coins of any denomination.

## 2. ADVICE / ADVISE

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ you to see a doctor.
2. She didn't listen to her father's \_\_\_\_\_.
3. I'm very grateful to you for your \_\_\_\_\_.
4. I really don't know what to \_\_\_\_\_.

## 3. AFFECT / EFFECT

1. The punishment had no \_\_\_\_\_ on him. As soon as he left the prison he began to steal again.
2. The new taxes will \_\_\_\_\_ the rich. They'll have to pay more.
3. The higher bus fares won't \_\_\_\_\_ me. I have a car.
4. The medicine had an immediate \_\_\_\_\_. I felt better at once.

## 4 BESIDE / BESIDES

1. There is not much to do \_\_\_\_\_ setting the table.
2. There was a small table \_\_\_\_\_ the bed.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Peter and me, who else is coming to your party tonight ?
4. Sarah was \_\_\_\_\_ herself with joy, when Tom proposed to her.
5. It was too late to go to the cinema. \_\_\_\_\_, I was too busy.

## 5 BRING / TAKE / FETCH

1. Can you \_\_\_\_\_ me to the station, please ?
2. You can \_\_\_\_\_ your wife to our party.
3. This glass has been used - please \_\_\_\_\_ me a clean one.
4. Can you \_\_\_\_\_ some milk when you come home ?
5. She \_\_\_\_\_ the dogs for a walk every morning.
6. He \_\_\_\_\_ another chair from the dining room.

## 6 DESERT / DESSERT

1. He \_\_\_\_\_ ed his wife and family for another woman.
2. If you make the main course, I'll make a \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Banyuls is an excellent \_\_\_\_\_ wine.
4. They were lost in the Sahara \_\_\_\_\_ for several days.

## 7. ECONOMIC / ECONOMICAL

1. It's not very \_\_\_\_\_ to leave the lights on when you're not in the room.
2. Because of the recent strikes, the \_\_\_\_\_ situation of the country is very bad.
3. She's an economist. She's an expert in \_\_\_\_\_ matters.
4. It's a very \_\_\_\_\_ car. It uses very little petrol.

## 8. LEARN / TEACH / STUDY

1. His mother \_\_\_\_\_ at the university in Oxford.
2. You have to \_\_\_\_\_ to listen to your inner voice.
3. Your English will improve a lot, if you \_\_\_\_\_ every day.
4. Can you please \_\_\_\_\_ me how to make a cake ?
5. She wants to \_\_\_\_\_ how to swim.

## 9. LEND / BORROW

1. I can \_\_\_\_\_ you my car for the weekend.
2. She used to \_\_\_\_\_ money and not bother to pay it back.
3. He \_\_\_\_\_ a novel from the library.
4. He doesn't like \_\_\_\_\_ ing his books.

## 10. LOOK / WATCH / SEE

1. There is a scary man outside \_\_\_\_\_ ing my house.
2. I can't \_\_\_\_\_ any fruit juice in the fridge.
3. He \_\_\_\_\_ ed at his daughter with pride in his eyes.
4. She was \_\_\_\_\_ out of the window.
5. Football is very popular and many people go and \_\_\_\_\_ matches on Sunday.
6. Did you \_\_\_\_\_ the advert in the newspaper ?

## 11. RIDE / DRIVE

1. Can I \_\_\_\_\_ with you ? I don't have a car.
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ to my parents' house takes 20 minutes.
3. Most children like to \_\_\_\_\_ on trains.
4. Can you \_\_\_\_\_ ? I'm too tired.

## 12. RISE / RAISE

1. He \_\_\_\_\_ ed his voice in anger.
2. The sun \_\_\_\_\_ in the East.
3. The host was very friendly. He \_\_\_\_\_ to welcome us.
4. We were born and \_\_\_\_\_ in New York.

## 13. THEN / THAN

1. We sold more products \_\_\_\_\_ we did last year.
2. This project is more challenging \_\_\_\_\_ I thought.
3. If he is sick, \_\_\_\_\_ you will have to go to the meeting.
4. Do your homework, \_\_\_\_\_ you can play.