

**Confusing words: Sound almost the same but are spelled differently and have different meanings.**

1. **Accept** – My teacher wouldn't accept my excuse. (Verb)
2. **Except** - Everyone except me got 100! (conjunction)   
(Not to be confused with **Expect** - What can you expect if you don't study!)
3. **Advice** – I tried to give my friend good advice. (noun)
4. **Advise** - I advise you to do your homework! (verb) 
  - a. I can't \_\_\_\_\_ people who lie to me.
  - b. I cleaned everything \_\_\_\_\_ my desk.
  - c. You don't have to take my \_\_\_\_\_ but I would \_\_\_\_\_ you to get help.
5. **Desert** - It gets very hot in the desert. (\_\_\_\_\_)
6. **Desert** - A soldier cannot desert his post for any reason! (\_\_\_\_\_)
7. **Dessert** - When I am stressed, I eat too many desserts. (\_\_\_\_\_)
8. My best friend didn't \_\_\_\_\_ me when I was depressed. She brought me delicious \_\_\_\_\_.
- e. I would rather be at home than out in the \_\_\_\_\_!
9. **Descent** - The descent from the mountain was more difficult than climbing up! (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_
10. **Dissent** - There was a lot of dissent against the government. (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_
11. **Decent** – The decent thing to do is to apologize. (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_
- f. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the elevator was really slow. I was afraid it was stuck between floors!
12. g. \_\_\_\_\_ people write letters of \_\_\_\_\_ when they feel an injustice has been done.
13. **Conscious** - I made a conscious decision to eat only healthy food. (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_
14. **Conscience** – My conscience was bothering me after I got angry with my friend. (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_
15. **Compliment** – I gave my mother a compliment for the delicious supper. (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_
16. **Complement** – I need two more books to complement my collection. (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_
- h. After drinking too much at the party, I was hardly \_\_\_\_\_ of what I was doing.
- i. Her \_\_\_\_\_ made her go back and pick up the tissue she dropped.
- j. I just need a good conclusion to \_\_\_\_\_ the tone of my essay.
17. k. She loves to get \_\_\_\_\_ about her clothes.
18. **Moral** – I understood the moral of the story. I really learned something. (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_
19. **Morale** - It is important to help keep up morale during stressful times. (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_
- l. We want our friends to be people with good \_\_\_\_\_ who have good \_\_\_\_\_.

