

1 25))) A recent survey found the ten words most commonly misspelt by British people. Listen to sentences 1–10 and complete the missing words. How many did you spell correctly? What do many of the words have in common?

- 1 He always \_\_\_\_\_ to his father as 'my old man'.
- 2 I like all vegetables except \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 The food was \_\_\_\_\_, but no more than that.
- 4 I think taking the dog with us is an \_\_\_\_\_ complication.
- 5 There was a \_\_\_\_\_ of opinion that the article should not be published.
- 6 It was a very strange \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 Please don't \_\_\_\_\_ me by wearing that hat!
- 8 In your driving test you will be asked to perform some standard \_\_\_\_\_.
- 9 We'll \_\_\_\_\_ be there by seven.
- 10 They married in 2010, but \_\_\_\_\_ two years later.

1 26)) Now listen to the following poem.  
Find nine spelling mistakes of a different  
kind. What is the message of the poem?

I have a spelling checker  
It came with my PC  
It plainly marks for my revue  
Mistakes I cannot sea  
I've run this poem threw it  
I'm sure your pleased to no  
It's letter-perfect in it's weigh  
My checker tolled me sew

**1 28**))) Look at the phonetics for a word which is often misspelt, but never corrected by spell checkers. How is it pronounced? Listen and check.

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Now complete the gaps with three different spellings of the word in **a**.

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_ pronoun + contracted verb
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_ adverb
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_ possessive adjective

a 1 29 Listen to six people talking with different native-speaker accents. Which one speaks with RP? Write the speaker's number in the 'England' box. Can you match any of the other accents?



Mairi



Diarmuid



Jerry



Andrea



Lily



Paul

- Australia
- Ireland
- England (RP)

- Scotland
- South Africa
- the USA