

# Homographs

**Homographs:** Words that have the same spelling, but different pronunciations and meanings.

**Directions:** Choose (a) or (b)

**Example:** The *wind* (a) is blowing hard. (a) moving air (rhymes with *pinned*)  
I have to *wind* (b) my clock. (b) turn the stem (rhymes with *find*)

1. The singer made a low *bow*    to the audience. (a) decorative ribbon (rhymes with *so*)  
Maria placed a red *bow*    on the birthday gift. (b) bend at the waist (rhymes with *how*)

2. All the students are *present*    today. (a) here (rhymes with *pleasant*)  
The boss will *present*    the award at 10:00. (b) give (rhymes with *resent*)

3. Please *close*    the door. (a) near (rhymes with *dose*)  
The boy sat *close*    to his uncle. (b) shut (rhymes with *toes*)

4. The rope was *wound*    around his ankles. (a) tied around (rhymes with *pound*)  
The soldier received a *wound*    in the battle. (b) an injury (rhymes with *moon*)

5. I don't know if I will *live*    or die. (a) to have life (rhymes with *give*)  
Last night I saw the band play *live*    in concert. (b) in real time performance (rhymes with *hive*)

Directions: Write the homographs in each sentence.

1. After taking a shot with his bow, the archer took a bow.
2. I had to console my mom after I sold her console.
3. No one could believe how much produce our garden could produce.
4. There's no dessert in the desert for those who desert.
5. The family was hoping their live plants would live.
6. There's simply no use for something you can't use.
7. They were going to project the project at the local theater.
8. It's not easy to resume work without a resume.

9. The band booked the studio to record their record.
10. Everyone knows it's not lady-like to intimate with intimate apparel.
11. The salesman was standing so close it was impossible to close the door.
12. The rebel seized the opportunity to rebel.
13. The artist worked for hours to perfect the nearly perfect work.
14. The sport agent's resigning affected the star's resigning.
15. The incense incensed the customers.