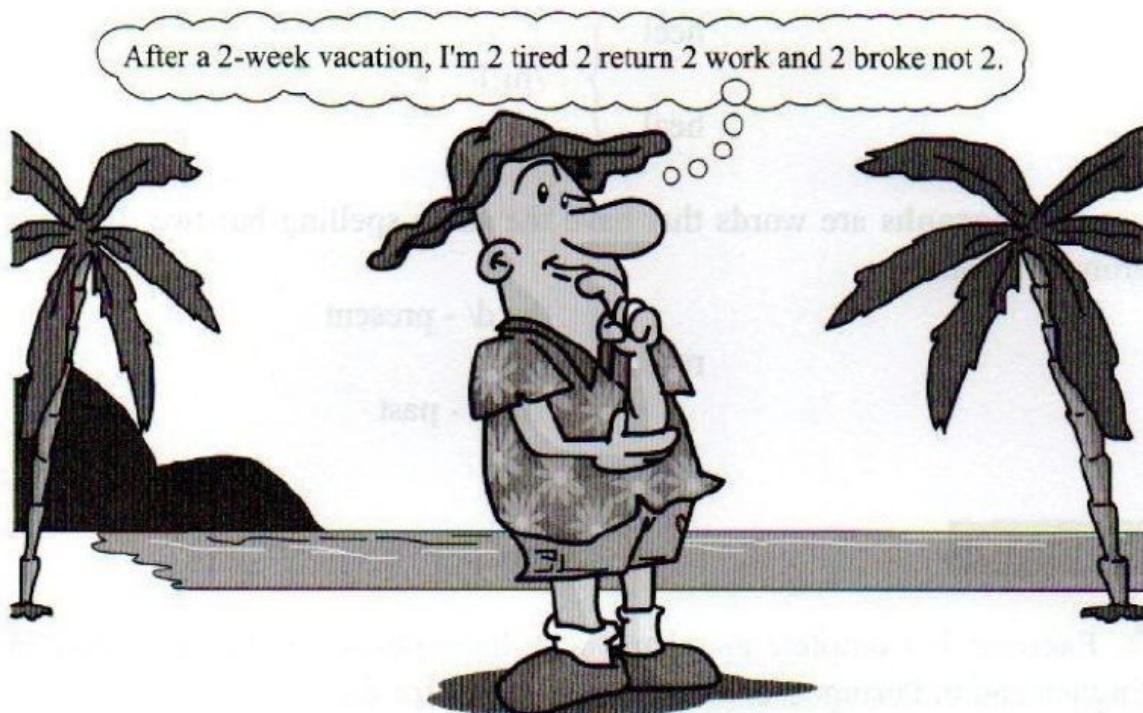


Unit 4 – Homophones and Homographs



Think about it

Work individually. Then compare your answers with a partner.

1. How are these words pronounced?

tear

- a. /tɛr/
- b. /tɪr/

live

- a. /laɪv/
- b. /lɪv/

2. Identify the transcription:

- a. /flaʊər/ _____
- b. /raɪt/ _____
- c. /seɪl/ _____
- d. /wɛr/ _____

Don't look at the **Answer Key** now! Study the unit to the end and then check your answers.

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Close up

Homophones are words that have different spelling but sound the same:

heel }
heal } /hi:l/

Homographs are words that have the same spelling but two different pronunciations:

read } /ri:d/ - present
read } /red/ - past

Zoom in

✎ Exercise 1: Complete the charts with homophones and homographs in English and in Portuguese. Find four examples for each.

HOMOGRAPHS (= spelling **but** ≠ sound)

English:		

Portuguese:	<i>colher (pick up) / colher (spoon)</i>	

HOMOPHONES (= sound **but** ≠ spelling)

English:		

Portuguese:		

Could you think of as many homophones and homographs in English as in Portuguese?

✎ Why do you think that happens? _____

/fə'nætɪk fər fə'netiks/

Identify the homophones. Work individually first. Then compare with a partner.

/si:/: see / sea	/meɪl/:	_____
/'flaʊər/:	/fər/:	_____
/roun/:	/meɪd/:	_____
/wʊd/:	/nou/:	_____
/bɔrd/:	/ðər/:	_____
/'haɪər/:	/mi:t/:	_____
/pæst/:	/saɪt/:	_____
/'weðər/:	/wər/:	_____
/ber/:	/baɪ/:	_____
/weɪ/:	/pi:s/:	_____
/hi:l/:	/daɪ/:	_____
/breɪk/:	/kru:z/:	_____
/seɪl/:	/hu:z/:	_____

Fun time

This is a newspaper ad. The person who wrote is not a good speller and confused some words. Can you write them correctly?

BIG SAIL HEAR AT MEYER'S & SUN

SHOES: BY SUM NICE PEARS FOUR JUST ATE DOLLARS

CLOSE: THE HOLE STOCK ON SAIL WITH SPECIAL PRICES. SEA THE VARIETY OF COLORS WE OFFER: YELLOW, READ, PINK AND BLEW

DON'T WEIGHT! TOO WEAKS ONLY! BEE OUR SPECIAL GUESSED.

OPENING OURS: FROM ATE TWO FOR (ON SATURDAY WE CLOTHES AT WON.)

KNEW ADDRESS: 36 KING RODE