

Commonly Confused Words 1

Name:
Teacher:

Class:
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Directions: Circle the word that correctly completes each of the following sentences:

1. I would (advise / advice) you to put the chalupa down, sir.
2. The critics' cruel reviews had a bad (affect / effect) on the play's financial success.
3. If Y2K causes computers to shut down, we'll need an (all together / altogether) new system.
4. It is (plain / plane) to see who is the guilty one in this classroom.
5. I don't know (who's / whose) handcuffs these are, but they better come up and claim them.
6. (They're / Their / There) going to see Eminem in concert next Saturday.
7. Ever (sense / since / cents) Elvis died, my life has been empty and meaningless.
8. Will you (accept / except) my marriage proposal?
9. I can't (bare / bear) another minute of English 9, or I'll scream!
10. Which (one / won) is the next contestant on *The Price is Right*?
11. My wife was (formally / formerly) known as Emily Lee—not Emily Thompson.
12. Grading papers is one of the (principal / principle) ways I spend my time.
13. (Its / It's) not too late to start shopping for the Christmas Holidays.
14. Rufus is going to the Opelika-Auburn game (to / too / two).
15. Rufus (threw / through / thorough) his puppy into the laundry basket.
16. How many times can Auburn (loose / lose) before the season ends?
17. I can't (quite / quiet) hear in my left ear, so you'll have to speak up, sonny.
18. Didn't you (hear / here) me? I'm stone-deaf in my left ear!!!
19. After vacationing in Siberia, I've got a cold, and my voice is (horse / hoarse).
20. The sun (shone / shown) down on the Loachapoka Syrup Sopping Festival.
21. If you would investigate the matter a little (farther / further), you'd see the answer.
22. I'm going to write the Student (Council / Counsel) right now and tell them to fire you.
23. When you (write / right / rite) your name on your paper, you make our teacher's life easier.
24. Since (were / we're / where) going to be here all year together, we may as well get along.
25. If you do all your work in English 9, (than / then) you are certain to pass.