

41 Confusing words

Choose the correct word in each of the following sentences.

- 1 You haven't (lent/borrowed) my rubber, have you, Paul?
- 2 He sat down (besides/beside) an old man with a white beard who looked and smelt as though he hadn't washed for weeks.
- 3 See that large (building/house) over there? Well, that's where I work. I've got an office on the sixth floor.
- 4 Was it (funny/fun) at the party on Friday?
- 5 The (nature/countryside) around this town is very flat and uninspiring.
- 6 The injured man was (laying/lying) on the road close to the wreckage of his car.
- 7 Who (taught/learnt) you to play the guitar, Fred?
- 8 Those of you who wish to come to the Zoo this afternoon, please (raise/rise) your hands.
- 9 When I heard that I'd been given the job I felt very (lucky/happy) indeed.
- 10 I usually (go up/get up) at 7.30 every morning.
- 11 Why don't you (take/bring) your girlfriend with you next time? We'd love to meet her.
- 12 Is it all right if I (go with/follow) you to the concert on Friday, Pam?
- 13 Sussex is my favourite (landscape/county) in England.
- 14 I didn't have time to (do/make) the beds this morning.
- 15 Amsterdam is a city full of (channels/canals).
- 16 I've been (sparing/saving) for years to buy a house.
- 17 Would you (check/control) these figures, Mr Brown – just to make sure they're correct?
- 18 It's a lot of (job/work) looking after children.
- 19 I prefer to (hire/rent) a television than buy one.
- 20 The answer to the crossword is on the (backside/back).
- 21 I thought you said you (were going to/should) give up smoking?
- 22 Our new neighbours invited me in for a cup of tea this morning. I must say they seem a very (nice/sympathetic) couple.
- 23 Was it Bell who (invented/discovered) the telephone?
- 24 I wonder if I might have a (recipe/receipt) for the things I've bought?
- 25 Oh, Jan, could you (remember/remind) me to phone the dentist this afternoon to make an appointment for Sally?

- 26 I wonder if you'd mind (bringing/fetching) John from next door? He's wanted on the telephone.
- 27 What (more/else) did you do in Spain, apart from swimming and sun-bathing?
- 28 I've just bought a record of Beethoven's Fifth symphony (conducted/directed) by Karajan.
- 29 When we moved into our new flat I had to sell my (grand/wing) piano because there wasn't enough room for it.
- 30 We'll have to change the curtains, darling. They don't (pass/match) the new suite. They're the wrong colour altogether.

46 From Bear to Coat

Change the word BEAR into COAT in eleven stages, changing only **one letter** at time.

	B	E	A	R
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	C	O	A	T

what deaf people cannot do

the noun from hot

vegetarians would not eat this

e.g. lunch

lives in the sea

what a salesman must do

every church has one

something you wear

you slide this across to fasten a door or window

a young horse