

Commonly Confused Words Diagnostic Answers

Directions: Please circle or underline the correct choice

- 1. We (already, all ready) have enough people for the trip.
- 2. Even though this is only the second week of the quarter, I really need a (break, brake).
- 3. You (could've, could of) bought even more gifts.
- 4. I took a (course, coarse) in using (course, coarse) textures in art.
- 5. I am sitting (here, hear) because I could not (here, hear) the speaker where I was.
- 6. The whole trip cost only \$3000 which (led, lead) me to buy two more tickets.
- 7. (It's, Its) been a long time since this car has had (it's, its) muffler replaced.
- 8. I (knew, new) there was (know, no) way to win.
- 9. I received a (compliment, complement) from the two (woman, women) about my posture.
- 10. We (passed, past) the Safeway store on the way home.
- 11. A (peace, piece) of pumpkin pie always hits the spot.
- 12. The (principal, principle) reason I took this (course, coarse) was to learn the (principals, principles) for hiring the best (personal, personnel).
- 13. (Their, There, They're) are more people (here, hear) today (than, then) (their, there, they're) were yesterday.
- 14. Bob (threw, through) the ball (threw, through) the window.
- 15. (Their, There, They're) were (to, too) many people and (to, too) little food at the event.
- 16. I was (to, too) tired and (to, too) cold (to, too) drive (to, too) school.
- 17. (Were, Wear, Where) will we go if the (weather, whether) gets bad?

- 18. (Whose, Who's) idea was it (to, too) take the train rather (than, then) the bus?
- 19. (You're, Your) really going to love (their, there, they're) selections and prices.
- 20. It is (a, an) honor to offer you such (a, an) unique gift as (a, an) apple.
- 21. I hope you will (accept, except) my decision to leave. I have finished all of my work (accept, except) the final chapter.
- 22. Can you (advice, advise) me on which (coarse, course) to take? I am looking for some trustworthy (advice, advise).
- 23. The President's speech (affected, effected) us all in different ways.
- 24. The cold weather certainly will (affect, effect) the price of crude oil.
- 25. I find reviewing just before bed to be a very (affective, effective) way to study.
- 26. One (affect, effect) will be an increase in prices.
- 27. Bob, Rachel, and Sean remained (conscious, conscience) through the entire lecture.
- 28. (Their, There, They're) are fewer students here (than, then) there were last quarter.
- 29. If Jim tells anymore bad jokes, I may (lose, loose) my mind!
- 30. It took (quiet, quite) awhile before the children became (quiet, quite).