***a***

a-bed = in the bed

able = can do something

about = near, close; sometimes why something happened [xxx above, abroad, across, along, among, anywhere, around]

above = higher than [xxx about, abroad, across, along, among, around]

abroad = a place far away from here [xxx anywhere, about, anywhere, around]

accident (accidents) = something not supposed to happen

across = from one side or part or place to another [xxx about, above, abroad, along, among, anywhere, around, against]

act (acts, acting, actor) = behaving, pretending

admit (admits, admitted, admitting) = to say or agree that something is true

advice (advise, advised, advising) = to say something to help someone do something

afraid = scared, frightened

***after***

***again***

against = beside, or not with, or the wrong thing to do [xxx arrant, across]

ahead = in front

air = what we breathe that is all around us

alarm (alarms, alarmed, alarming) = to be upset; or noise to say there is a big problem (alarms, alarmed, alarming) [xxx alas, afraid]

alas = said when someone is very unhappy [xxx alarm, afraid]

alfalfa = a special grass that cows and horses like to eat

alive = not dead, still living

***all***

almost = nearly

also = too, another

alone = without anyone else

along = beside or with [xxx about, above, abroad, across, along, among, anywhere, around]

already = before now [xxx always]

altogether = all of them, including all

always = all the time [xxx all, any, already]

***am***

among (amongst) = with others around [xxx above, about, abroad, across, along, anywhere, around]

***an***

angel (angels) = winged creatures in heaven that people believe are very good

angel-food = a special kind of white, soft cake [add hyphen to original text]

***and***

angry (angrier, angriest) = mad, upset

animal (animals)= creature that moves around, eats, sleeps, and makes babies

another = a different

answer (answers, answered, answering) = to say back or reply to someone

***any***

anybody = some person, it doesn’t matter who [xxx any, anyone]

anyone = some person, it doesn’t matter who [xxx any, anybody]

anything = something

anywhere = any place [xxx above, abroad, across, along, among, around]

appear (appears, appeared, appearing) = can be seen

appease (appeases, appeased, appeasing) = to make happy, satisfied

appetite = wanting to eat (appetites)

apple (apples) = yummy round fruit, usually red or yellow

April = a month in spring time; on the first day people trick other people

apron (aprons) = a cloth worn around the front to keep clothes clean

***are***

arm (arms) = from your shoulder to your hand

around = near, or outside of

arrant = not following the rules, naughty [xxx against]

arrive (arrives, arrived, arriving) = to get somewhere

***as***

ashamed = to feel sad that you have done something bad or wrong

***ask*** (asks, asked, asking)

asleep = not awake

astonished (astonishment) = very, very surprised

***at***

attack (attacks, attacked, attacking) = to try hard to fight against or hurt someone or something

***ate***

attention = what someone notices

awake (awakes, awakened, awakening) = not asleep [xxx awoke]

***away***

awful (awfully)= very bad

awoke (woke) = stopped sleeping [xxx awake]

axe (axes) = a tool with a long handle and sharp blade to chop or cut wood

baby (babies) = very small, young people [xxx babysitter]

babysitter = someone who takes care of a baby or child [xxx babies]

***back***

backward (backwards) = moving in a behind direction, not forward

bad (baddest) = not good [xxx badly]

badly = not well [xxx bad]

bake (bakes, baked, baking) = put in a hot oven to cook [xxx baking-day]

baker (baker’s) = someone who cooks in a hot oven

baking-day = time for making bread or cakes or cookies [xxx bake, baker]

balance (balances, balance, balancing) = to be able not to fall; or the same on both sides

ball (balls) = a round thing to play with

balloon (ballons) = a thing you can blow into to make a round plastic ball

bang (bangs, banged, banging)= a loud noise; or to slam something hard

barber (barbers) = someone who cuts hair

bare (bares, bared, baring) = to be without outside covering like clothes; sometimes means ‘very little’ [xxx barely]

barely = very little, almost not [xxx bare]

bark (barks, barked, barking) = the sound a dog makes

barn (barns) = a big farm building, sometimes with hay, cows, or horses inside

basement (basements) = a room beneath a house or building; a cellar

basket (baskets) = something stiff to carry things in

bat (bats) = long round stick to hit a ball; or an animal like a big mouse with wings

bath (baths) = to wash all over, usually in a tub

***be***

beans = green or brown or white little rounded things people eat (bean)

bear (bears, bearing) = a big wild animal; sometimes means ‘to carry’

beast (beasts) = animal

beat (beats, beaten, beating) = to hit, whip or spank very hard; to win a game

beautiful = very pretty, very nice to see [xxx beauty, beauties]

beauty = something very pretty, very nice to see [xxx beautiful, beauties]

beauties = many who are very pretty, very nice to see [xxx beauty, beautiful]

***because***

become (becomes, became, becoming) = to change to be

bed (beds) = something to sleep on

bed-clothes = sheets, blankets, pillows [xxx bedspread, bedroom, bedtime, bed]

bedroom = where people sleep [xxx bedspread, bed-clothes, bedtime, bed]

bedspread = the top blanket [xxx bedtime, bedroom, bed-clothes]

bedtime = when children should get ready for sleep (bed-clothes, bedroom, bedspread)

***been***

***before***

begin (began, begun, beginning) = to start [xxx before]

behind = after, or in back of something [xxx between, below, beneath, beside, back]

behold = look at this, pay attention

belief = thinking something is true [xxx believe]

believe (believes, believed, believing; believer) = to think something is true [xxx belief]

bell (bells) = shaped like a cup, with a clapper that makes a ringing sound

belly (bellies)= tummy or stomach

below = under [xxx beneath, between, behind, beside]

bend (bends, bent, bending) = to curve, not be straight

beneath = under [xxx below, between, behind, beside]

Benjamin = a boy’s name

beside = close to [xxx below, beneath, between, behind]

***best***

***better***

between = with something on both sides [xxx behind, below, beneath, beside]

bewail (bewails, bewailed, bewailing) = to cry and complain about something bad

beyond = on the other side of; or far away

***big*** (bigger, biggest)

bicycle (bicycles)= something to ride that has a front wheel and back wheel

bird (birds) = creatures who lay eggs, have feathers, and most can fly

birth = being born [xxx born]

birthday (birthdays) = you have one every year after you were born

bit = something tiny; or used teeth to squeeze or cut something [xxx bitty, bite]

bite (bites, biting, bitten, biter) = using teeth to squeeze or cut something [xxx bit, bitty]

bitty (bittiest) = tiny, very small [xxx bit, bite]

black (blacker, blackest) = the darkest color

blackberries (blackberry) = yummy bumpy little bits of fruit to pick and eat [xxx blackcurrents]

blackbirds (blackbird) = they sometimes eat seeds that farmers plant

blackcurrents (blackcurrent) = little round bits of fruit often used to make jelly [xxx blackberries]

bless (blesses, blessed, blessing) = to make someone good wonderfully happy

blind = not able to see

blink (blinks, blinked, blinking) = quickly close and open one or two eyes

blow (blew, blows, blowing) = what the wind does, or to push air out your mouth

blue (bluer, bluest) = the color of the sky on bright sunny days

blubber (blubbers, blubbered, blubbering) = to say in a sloppy way, sometimes while crying

boast (boasts, boasted, boasting) = brag, tell people you are or something is better than others [xxx brag, bragging, bragged, bragger]

board (boards) = a long piece of wood used to build something

boat (boats) = something people can ride on in the water

bone (bones)= the hard things inside an animal’s body; parts of a skeleton

bong-tree = a fun made up, pretend word

booger (boogers) = yucky things in the nose people blow out on tissue paper

bore (bores, bored, boring) = not interesting, or to not care about; sometimes to make a hole [xxx bother]

***both***

bother (bothers, bothered, bothering) = to annoy or to trouble someone [xxx bore]

bottle (bottles) = tall and round, plastic or glass, holds a drink

bottom = at the low end

bound = to jump; can also mean tied up

bouquet (bouquets) = a bunch of flowers held together

bow (bows) = something that bends, sometimes a strip of cloth that bends on itself; or a thing to shoot an arrow

bowl (bowls) = like a big cup

Bowlegs = a pretend name

box (boxes) = used to keep something in, usually has corners [xxx boxcars]

boxcars (boxcar) = like great big boxes with wheels that go on train tracks [xxx box]

boy (boys) = creatures who are never naughty unless it’s absolutely necessary

brag (brags, bragged, bragging) = say someone or something is better than others [xxx boast]

bracelet (bracelets) = a piece of jewelry people can wear on their wrist

branch (branches) = a part of something, like a limb on a tree

brass = hard yellow stuff sometimes used to make buttons, toys, or tools

bread (breads) = the outside of a sandwich

break (breaks, broke, breaking; broken) = make something not work; make it into pieces [xxx broke-down, broken-down]

breakfast = first meal of the day [xxx bread]

breath = the air you move in and out of your nose and mouth [xxx breathe]

breathe (breathes, breathed, breathing) = move air in and out of your nose [xxx breath]

bridge (bridges) = a way to go over from one thing to another

briers (brier) = sharp little points on plants, like little thorns

bright (brighter, brightest; brightly) = shiny and easy to see; light

***bring*** (brings, brought, bringing)

broken-down (broke-down) = stopped working [xxx break]

broom (brooms) = a long round handle with a big brush at the end

brother (brothers) = boys or men with the same mother or father

brown (browner, brownest) = made by mixing red, yellow, and blue; the color of dark wood

brush (brushes, brushed, brushing) = to lightly touch or move past

build (builds, built, building; builder) = make something

bubble (bubbles) = a round empty thing you can see through, and sometimes can make float

bump (bumps, bumped, bumping) = to knock into something; or a raised up place

bunny (bunnies) = rabbit, especially a little rabbit

buns (bun) = rounded pieces of bread, smooth on top

burn (burns, burned, burnt, burning) = to make something hot, or in a fire

bush (bushes) = a plant that has lots and lots of leaves

business (businesses) = job or work

busy (busier, busiest) = having lots of things to do

***but***

butter = yellow stuff made from milk that we sometimes put on food

buttercup = a yellow flower [xxx butter, butterfly]

butterfly (butterflies) = a little bug usually with big beautiful wings [xxx buttercup, butter]

buttons (button)= little things, usually round, to keep shirts and other clothes tight

***buy***  (buys, bought, buying; buyer)

***by***

by-and-by = after a little time

cabbage (cabbages) = green leafy vegetables, sometimes the size of your head

cabinet (cabinets) = furniture with shelves or drawers

cake (cakes) = yummy stuff people put candles on for birthdays (xxx cupcake)

calf = a young cow or bull [xxx cow]

***call***  (calls, called, calling; caller)

calm (calmly, calming) = without rush or bother, quiet and easy

***came***

camel (camels) = an animal with one or two big bumps called humps on its back

campfire (campfires) = a small fire outdoors on the ground

***can***

candle (candles) = a stick usually made of wax that can burn at the top to give light [xxx candlestick]

candlestick (candlesticks) = the long part of a candle under the burning flame [xxx candle]

candy (candies, candied) = very sweet and yummy things to eat

canter (canters, cantered, cantering) = the way a horse usually runs, faster than a trot, slower than a gallop

cap (caps) = a small hat, or a top for a bottle [xxx cape]

cape (capes) = a cloth for your back, mostly to keep warm [xxx cap]

capture (captures, captured, capturing) = to catch and keep

car(cars) = vehicles that people ride in

cardboard = what most boxes are made of, a kind of thick paper

care (cares, cared, caring) = to worry [xxx careful]

careful (carefully) = trying not to make a mistake [xxx care]

***carry*** (carries, carried, carrying)

carve (carves, carved, carving) = to cut or slice

case (cases) = a special box to hold things; or ‘the way things are’

castle (castles) = a big fancy building, usually made of stone, sometimes with pointed towers

cat (cats) = a grown-up kitten

catch (catches, caught, catching; catcher) = hold on to something that was thrown or dropped [xxx chase]

celebrate (celebrates, celebrated, celebrating) = get happy and excited for someone [xxx cheer, chorus, chuckle]

certain (certainly) = completely sure, no question

chair (chairs) = what people sit on, usually four legs and a back

chamber (chambers) = a special room

chamomile = a flower with white petals

charming (charmingly) = very nice and polite

chase (chases, chased, chasing) = run after, try to catch [xxx catch]

cheer (cheers, cheered, cheering) = make loud happy sounds [xxx celebrate, chorus, chuckle]

chew (chews, chewed, chewing) = to bite and squeeze with teeth

chicken (chickens) = girls are hens, and boys are roosters [xxx cock, cocky, crow]

child = a young person who likes to play and learn things, and is almost never naughty [xxx children]

children = young people who like to play and learn things, and are almost never naughty [xxx child]

China = a big place where many people live; or something made of hard shiny stuff

chocolate = If you don’t know what chocolate is you should find out fast!

choo = sound a train makes [xxx chug]

chorus (choruses, chorused, chorusing) = to sing or speak together in a group [xxx cheer, celebrate, chuckle]

Christmas = the time when Santa comes

chuckle (chuckles, chuckled, chuckling) = to make a little laugh [xxx celebrate, cheer, chorus]

chug (chugs, chugged, chugging) = sound a slow train makes [xxx choo]

circle = all around; or like an O

city (cities) = a place with lots of people, streets, and buildings

claw (claws)= sharp and pointy fingernails for animals

clean (cleans, cleaned, cleaning; cleaner, cleanest)

cleaned-up = make to look nice [xxx clear]

clear (clearer, clearest) = very easy to see [xxx cleaned-up]

clever = smart, tricky

climb (climbs, climbed, climbing; climber)= to go up

cling (clings, clung, clinging)= hold tight and hope not to let go

close (closer, closest) = nearby; also to close means to shut [audio: sound of s vs. z] [xxx closed]

closed = to shut (closes, closing) [xxx close]

clothes = what people wear, like shirts, pants, skirts, socks [xxx coat]

cloud (clouds) = a white or gray shape in the sky made of tiny water drops

clover = a kind of grass, usually with three leaves, that many animals like to eat

club (clubs)= a heavy, fat stick to hit something; or a group of friends

coat (coats) = something we wear to keep warm [xxx clothes]

cock (cocks) = rooster, a boy chicken [xxx crowed, cocky, chicken]

cocky = acting proud, as if better than others [xxx cock, crow, chicken]

coin (coins) = a little round piece of money

***cold*** (colder, coldest)

collapse (collapses, collapsed, collapsing)= fall down all the way

color (colors) = a hue like red or blue or yellow

control (controls, controlled, controlling) = to make a person, animal, or thing do what someone wants

comb (combs, combed, combing) = to smooth hair to make it look nice

***come*** (comes, coming)

comfortable (comfortably) = feeling nice and easy

comical (comic) = funny or silly

complete = whole, all of something, finished [xxx completely]

completely = all the way, entirely, all of it [xxx complete]

cook = to heat food to eat; or someone who does this [xxx cooks, cookies]

cooks (cooked, cooking) = to heat or get food ready to eat [xxx cook, cookies]

cookie (cookies) = flat yummy baked dough, mostly round, sometimes other shapes [xxx cook, cooks]

cool (cooler, coolest) = a little bit cold, but not really cold [xxx cools]

cools (cooled, cooling) = to becoming less hot [xxx cool]

corn = a grain or vegetable good to eat, and sometimes to pop

corner (corners) = where two sides of a wall or box come together

cottage-door = the way to go in a little house

Cotton-tail = a name for a rabbit

***could***

couldn’t = could not

country = large place outdoors, sometimes with lots of grass and trees

court = friends of a king and queen; or the place where they visit

cousin (cousins) = a person in the same big family; the child of someone’s aunt or uncle

cover (covered, covering) = something on top; or to put something on top [xxx covers]

covers = blankets; or to put something on top [xxx cover]

cow (cows) = animals that eat grass and give milk [xxx calf]

coward (cowards, cowardly) = afraid, not brave

crack (cracks, cracked, cracking) = a line that shows where something is broken; or a little open space

crafty = sneaky, tricky, sly

crawl (crawls, crawled, crawling) = to move slowly on hands and knees, or on paws, low to the ground

creature = animal

creep (creeps, crept, creeping) = move quietly so no one will notice

cry (cries, cried, crying) = make tears; or sometimes means to shout or yell

cross (crosses, crossed, crossing) = to move from one place to another; or an x shape

crow (crows, crowed, crowing)= to make a ‘cock-a-doodle-doo’ sound; or sometimes a large black bird [xxx cock, cocky, chicken]

crown (crowns, crowned, crowning) = to put on a king’s hat, or sometimes the tip top of someone’s head

crumble = (crumbles, crumbled, crumbling)to squeeze or push and break to make something smaller [xxx crumple]

crumple (crumples, crumpled, crumpling) = to bend and twist [xxx crumble]

cucumber (cucumbers) = a green, long, round vegetable we often slice and eat in salads

cud = a wad of grass that cows chew like gum

cupcake (cupcakes)= a little cake [xxx cup, cake]

curious (curiosity) = want to know something; or strange and unusual

curl (curls, curled, curling) = to make a bendy shape; sometimes a twisty bit of hair

cup (cups) = something to drink out of, like a little bowl with a handle [xxx cupcake]

currants (currant)= little raisins that don’t have seeds

curtains (curtain) = cloth or plastic to cover windows

cushion (cushions) = like a small pillow

***cut*** (cuts, cutting)

damp (damper, dampest) = a little bit wet

dance (dances, danced, dancing; dancer) = to move your body in a pattern, usually to music

dare (dares, dared, daring; dare) = to be brave enough to do something

dark (darker, darkest) = not light, close to black

daughter (daughters) = the girl child of a father or mother

day = sometimes when the sun shines; sometimes from sunrise to sunset [xxx daytime]

daytime = morning to evening [xxx day]

dead = not alive

dear(dearest, dears) = someone you love or like

decide (decides, decided, deciding) = to make a choice, to pick something

decorate (decorates, decorated, decorating) = to put things on to make something look nicer

deep (deeper, deepest) = far down

delicious = taste very good

delight (delighted) = feeling very happy

dessert (desserts) = the yummy treat after a meal, like cake or pie or ice cream [xxx desert]

desert (deserts) = bare land that doesn’t have many plants or animals or people [xxx dessert]

devour (devours, devoured, devouring) = eat up completely

dew (dewdrop, dewdrops) = the water on plants early in the morning

***did***

diddle = a fun word that doesn’t mean anything

didn’t = did not

different = not the same

dig (digs, dug, digging) = to make a hole, or try to get something out

dine (dines, dinned, dining) = eat [xxx dining-car, dinner]

ding-dong = the sound a bell makes

dingy = dirty, not clean [xxx dirt]

dining-car = where people on a train go to eat [xxx dine, dinner]

dinner = the meal we eat sometimes in the middle of the day, sometimes in the evening [xxx dine, dining-car]

dirt (dirty) = dusty, muddy stuff that makes something or someone look unclean [xxx dingy]

disappear (disappears, disappeared, disappearing) = to go away; or can’t be seen

dish (dishes) = a round flat thing we put food on

dive (dives, dived, dove, diving) = to jump down, hands or head first

***do*** (doing)

***does***

doesn’t = does not

dog (dogs) = a grown-up puppy

doll (dolls) = a little pretend person to play with

***don’t***

***done***

door (doors) = what we go through to get in or out of a room [xxx doorstep]

doorstep = the bottom part where you walk in or out [xxx door]

dose = how much medicine someone should take [xxx doze]

dough = flour and water mixed together before it’s baked into bread or cookies

down

doze (dozes, dozed, dozing) = sleep [xxx dose]

drag (drags, dragged, dragging) = pull, sometimes along the ground

dragonflies (dragonfly) = insects about the size of wasps or butterflies that fly very quickly

draw (draws, drew, drawing)

dreadfully (dreadful) = terribly, awfully

dream (dreams, dreamed, dreaming; dreamer) = something a person imagines, or believes happened, or believes is true

dress (dresses, dressed, dressing) = clothes girls and women wear; or to put or have clothes on

drill (drills, drilled, drilling) = ways soldiers learn to move; or a tool to make a hole

drink (drank, drunk, drinking; drinker)

drive (drives, drove, driving) = to make something go where you want [xxx driver]

driver = someone who makes something go where they want [xxx drive]

droll-looking = seeming funny or silly or odd

drop (drops, dropped, dropping) = to let something fall; or a little bit of water or something wet

drowse (drowses, drowsed, drowsing; drowsy) = to feel sleepy or to sleep

dry (dries, dried, drying; drier, driest) = to be not wet or to make not wet, without water [xxx dust, dusty]

duck (ducks, duckling) = birds with big feet for paddling on water

dumb (dumber, dumbest) = not smart, an impolite word

during = time going by while something happens

dust = little pieces too tiny to see; or a puff or cloud of them [xxx dry, dusty]

dusty = dry and dirty [xxx dry, dust]

each = all of them, every one [xxx every, everyone]

eagle (eagles) = a big bird that eats animals and fish

edge (edges) = the thin or skinny side of something

eager (eagerly) = wanting very much

ear (ears)= what you hear with

early (earlier, earliest) = a time at or near the beginning

earth = the ground, and sometimes everything everywhere on it

easy (easier, easiest, easily) = not hard

***eat***  (eats, eating, eaten)

egg (eggs) = kind of round things that birds make, and people sometimes eat

eight = the number between seven and nine

elegant = nice and fancy

elephant (elephants) = very big animals with big ears and long noses

else = different

embarrass (embarrasses, embarrassed, embarrassing, embarrassment) = to feel bad for making a mistake

empty (empties, emptied, emptying, emptier, emptiest) = with nothing inside; or to take everything out

end (ends, ended, ending)= to stop; or the last part of something

engine (engines) = a machine that makes things go

enjoy (enjoys, enjoyed, enjoying, enjoyment) = to like or feel happy about

enough = all that is needed

enter (enters, entered, entering) = to go into

escape (escapes, escaped, escaping) = get away

especially = very much, more than others

even = including, this too; or sometimes means the same amount

evening (evenings) = the early part of the night, or right before night

ever = at any time or all times [xxx everyone, everywhere, everything]

***every***

everyone = all the people [xxx ever, everywhere, everything]

everything = all the things [xxx ever, everywhere, everyone]

everywhere = all the places [xxx ever, everything, everyone]

exactly (exact) = just right, perfect

except = not this

excite (excite, excites, exciting, excitement) = to make have strong feelings

exert (exerts, exerted, exerting)= to use energy, to try to do something

explode (explodes, exploded, exploding; explosion) = to make a big bang and break into little pieces

eye (eyes) = what people and animals see with

face (faces) = the front part of a head; eyes, nose, mouth

fairies (fairy) = little pretend people with wings

***fall*** (falls, fell, falling, fallen)

false = untrue

family (families) = people who are related, like mothers and fathers and children

fancied = thought or imagined [xxx fancy]

fancy = not ordinary or usual, special, sometimes with lots of decoration [xxx fancied]

***far***

farm (farms) = where people raise animals and grow things to eat [xxx farmer, farmyard]

farmer (farmers) = people who raise animals and grow things to eat [xxx farm, farmyard]

farmyard = a place inside a fence where animals can walk around [xxx farm, farmer]

farther (farthest) = further, more away from something [xxx further, fourth, forward, front, forth]

***fast*** (faster, fastest)

fat = (fatter, fattest) soft white or gray stuff beside the meat; or looking big and round shaped

fate (fates, fated) = what no one can stop from happening

father (fathers) = a man who has a son or daughter

favor (favors) = a nice thing to do for someone; or to like

fear = (fears, feared, fearing; fearful) to feel afraid, frightened, scared

feast = a big meal with lots of food [xxx food, fudge]

feel = (feels, felt, feeling) sometimes being happy or sad or angry or worried; sometimes what you know by touching

feet = those things at the bottom of your leg [xxx foot, footprints]

fetch (fetches, fetched, fetching) = to bring back

fiddle (fiddles) = it makes music when its strings are rubbed with a stick

field (fields) = an open piece of ground where grass or small plants can grow

fight (fight, fights, fighting; fighter) = to get mad and say mean things, sometimes hit; sometimes in play just for fun

fill (fills, filled, filling) = to put inside or pack all the way

finally (final) = at the end, the last

***find*** (finds, found, finding; finder)

fine (finer, finest) = good, nice [xxx finely]

finely = well, nicely [xxx fine]

finger (fingers) = each of the four long things beside your thumb [xxx fingernails]

fingernails (fingernail) = the hard, smooth things at the end of your fingers [xxx finger]

finish (finishes, finishing, finished) = to end, stop, quit

fir (firs) = trees with needles that are always green, instead of leaves that drop off

fire = when something burns [xxx fireflies, flash]

fireflies (firefly) = lightning bugs; at night sometimes their tails glow in the dark [xxx flash, fire]

***first***

fish (fishes, fished, fishing)

***five*** = the number between four and six

five-pound = a kind of money, many dollars or shillings

flash (flash, flashes, flashed)= a quick bright light; or move quickly [xxx fire, fireflies]

flat (flatter, flattest, flattens, flatten, flattened, flattening) = even, with no bumps [xxx flat-footed]

flat-footed = slow moving [xxx flat]

flea-bitten = a rude thing to say about someone or something

flee (flees, fled, fleeing) = to run away

fleece = the soft curly hair on a sheep or lamb [xxx fur, fluffy]

fleet (fleets) = a lot of ships [xxx float]

flick (flicks, flicked, flicking) = a quick move, sometimes to brush or knock something away

flip (flips, flipped, flipping) = turn over quickly

float (floats, floated, floating) = what wood does on water, and clouds do in the sky [xxx fleet]

flock (flocks) = a group of birds, or a group of sheep

floor (floors) = what we walk on in a house or building

flop (flops, flopped, flopping) = to drop down in a heavy way

Flopsy = a name for a rabbit

flour = dusty stuff, made of tiny bits of seed, that people cook to make bread [xxx food]

flower (flowers) = beautiful plants like roses, tulips, pansies, and daisies [xxx flower-pot]

flower-pot = a kind of cup or bowl for growing small plants [xxx flower]

fluffy = very soft, with lots of air inside [fleece, fur]

***fly*** (flies, flew, flying)

foggy (fog) = when the air feels wet and is hard to see through, misty

follow (follows, followed, following; follower) = to go behind

fond (fondness) = to like something

food = what people and animals eat [xxx flour, feast, fudge]

fool (foolish) = to trick someone; or someone easy to trick

foot = what you walk on; sometimes the bottom part of something big [xxx feet, footprints]

footprints = the marks made by feet or shoes or paws [xxx foot, feet]

***for***

forbidden = not allowed

force (forces, forced, forcing) = to do something in a hard way

forehead = the front part of your head, between your hair and eyebrows [xxx front, forward]

forest (forests) = a wild place with lots and lots of trees

forget (forgets, forgot, forgetting, forgotten) = to not remember

forlorn = very sad

forth = in a forward direction [xxx fourth, forward, front, farther, further]

fortnight = fourteen days, or two weeks

forward = in front [xxx front, further, forth, fourth, front, forth]

***four***

fowl (fowls) = bird or birds

fox (foxes) = like a little dog, with mostly red fur, very tricky

frame (frames) = a kind of outside box to protect something inside

French = from a country called France

free (frees, freed, freeing) = not cost anything; or not be held back or caught

freight = lots of boxes and things moving in a truck or in a train’s boxcar

fresh (fresher, freshest) = new

friend (friends, friendly) = someone you like to be with

frighten (frightens, frightened, frightening; fright) = to scare to make afraid

from

front = at the beginning, or ahead [xxx forward, forehead, further, forth, fourth, front, forth]

frost = thin ice

frown (frowns, frowned, frowning) = when the corners of a mouth tip down to look sad or angry

fry (fries, fried, frying) = a way to cook food like fried chicken or french fries

fudge = yummy, gooey chocolate candy, usually cut in squares [xxx food, feast]

full (fuller, fullest) = not empty at all, room for no more

fun = enjoyable, nice to do

***funny*** (funnier, funniest)

fur (furry) = the hair on an animal’s skin [xxx fleece, fluffy]

furniture = things like tables and chairs and sofas and bookcases

further = farther, more away from something [xxx forward, far, farther, front, forth, fourth]

gallop (gallops, galloped, galloping) = when a horse runs very faster, faster than a trot or a canter

***game*** (games)

garden(gardens) = where flowers, vegetables, and other plants grow

gather (gathers, gathered, gathering) = to bring together, or to collect

gate (gates) = a door in a fence

gave

geese = big long-necked birds with flat feet that say ‘honk’ [xxx goose, gooseberry]

gentle (gentler, gentlest, gently) = very easy and nice and pleasant

gentleman = a polite word for a man [xxx gentle]

get (gets, got, getting, gotten)

get-set = words to say before a race begins

giant (giants) = anything very big, but especially big pretend creatures [xxx great, greatly]

giggle (giggles, giggled, giggling) = make a silly little laugh

ginger = a reddish-yellow or orange-brown spice to add flavor [xxx gingerbread]

gingerbread = a kind of cookie made partly with ginger spice [xxx ginger]

giraffe (giraffes) = a spotted animal with a very long neck

girl (girls) = made of sugar and spice and almost never naughty

***give*** (gives, giving)

gift (gifts) = a present

glad (gladder, gladdest) = happy about something

glance (glances, glanced, glancing) = to make a quick look at something [xxx glare]

glare (glares, glared, glaring) = to look at in an angry way [xxx glance]

glittering (glittery) = shiny and sparkly [xxx gold]

gnaw (gnaws, gnawed, gnawing) = to chew at something with little bites

***go***

God = If you don’t know about God, ask your family

***goes***

***going***

gold (golden) = hard yellow stuff worth lots of money; or a yellow-orange color [xxx gold-fish, Goldilocks, glittering]

gold-fish (goldfish) = a small fish people often keep as a pet [xxx gold, Goldilocks]

Goldilocks = a girl’s name [xxx gold, gold-fish, Goofball]

gone = not here any more

***good***

***goodbye***

good-natured = nice, not mean or angry

goodness (goodness-gracious) = sometimes said by surprised or excited people

Goofball = a silly pretend name [xxx Goldilocks]

goofy-looking (goofy) = a rude thing to say about someone

goose = a big long-necked bird with flat feet that says ‘honk’ [xxx geese, gooseberry]

gooseberry (gooseberries) = small greenish fruit that’s a little bit sour

***got***

gotcha = I caught you!

grab (grabs, grabbed, grabbing) = to take quickly

grain (grains) = seed that people can plant in the ground or cook to eat

grandfather (grandpa, granddad) = the father of a person’s mother or father [xxx grandmother]

grandmother (grandma) = the mother of a person’s mother or father [xxx grandfather]

***grass*** (grasses)

grassy = full of grass [xxx graze]

gravely = badly or seriously, not smiling

gray (grayish) = a color between white and black

graze (grazes, grazed, grazing) = when an animal eats grass [xxx grassy]

great (greater, greatest) = very big, or very important [xxx greatly, giant]

greatly = very much [xxx great]

greedy (greedier, greediest) = wanting to have too much

green (greener, greenest, greenish) = the color of most grass and leaves [xxx grass, grassy]

grieve (grieves, grieved, grieving; grief) = to feel very sad

grin (grins, grinned, grinning) = to make a big smile

grind (grinds, grinding) = to scratch or mash or push against to make tiny pieces [xxx ground]

groan (groans, groaned, groaning) = to make a quiet sound that means someone is unhappy or hurts [xxx grumble, grunt, growl, gruff]

***ground***

***grow*** (grows, grew, growing)

growl (growls, growled, growling) = to make a scary sound in the throat [xxx groan, gruff, grumble, grunt]

grownups (grown-ups) = adults, big people who like to say ‘no’

gruff = kind of rough; sometimes a rough voice [xxx growl, groan, grumble, grunt]

grumble (grumbles, grumbled, grumbling) = to say unhappy things, complain [xxx groan, grunt, gruff, growl]

grunt (grunts, grunted, grunting) = to make a sound that usually means someone is trying hard [xxx groan, grumble, gruff, growl]

guess (guesses, guessed, guessing) = to try to think of an answer

guide (guides, guided, guiding)= to show the way to go; or someone who does this

guitar (guitars) = skinny at the top, big at the bottom; it has strings that make music

gun (guns) = something that shoots bullets

***had***

ha-ha = a laughing sound

hah = a loud sound

hair (hairs) = the stuff that’s growing on your head [xxx hairy]

hairy = covered with stuff like what grows on your head [xxx hair]

halfway = middle between two things

hall (halls) = a place to walk between rooms

halt (halts, halted, halting) = to stop

hamburgers (hamburger) = flat round pieces of meat between two buns

hand (hands) = the things at the end of your arms

handsome = looking very nice

hang (hangs, hung, hanging) = to drop down from something; in front of ‘about’ it just means ‘be there’

happen (happens, happened, happening) = something that goes on, or occurs, or gets done or found

[happy](https://internetpoem.com/poems/happy/) (happier, happiest, happily, happiness) = feeling very good

hard (harder, hardest) = difficult, or not soft

hardly = barely, almost not

harm (harms, harmed, harming) = to hurt or to damage

harvest (harvests) = getting together all the growing foods to eat them later

***has***

hasn't = has not [xxx haven’t]

hate (hates, hated, hating) = to dislike very, very much

***have***

haven’t = have not [xxx hasn’t]

having = owning something; or after doing something [xxx hold]

hay = dried grass that horses and cows like to eat

***he***

head (heads) = the thing on top of your neck

headlights (headlight) = round things that help a driver see when it’s dark [xxx head]

heap (heaps, heaped, heaping) = a big pile; or to make a big pile

hear (hears, heard, hearing) = what your ears do

heart (hearts) = a valentine, or the chest muscle that helps keep animals and people alive

heave (heaves, heaved, heaving) = to lift something heavy

heaven (heavens) = the highest part of the sky

heavy (heavier, heaviest) = hard to lift up, not light

heel (heels) = the back part of your foot

hello (hellos) = what people say when they meet someone

***help*** (helps, helping, helped)

helpless (helplessly) = not able to do something, or anything

hen (hens) = a girl chicken that lays eggs

***her***

***here***

herself = a girl or woman

hey = hello

hide (hides, hid, hidden, hiding) = to try not to be seen or found [xxx hide-and-seek]

hide-and-seek = a wonderful game; I hope you’ve played it! [xxx hide]

high (higher, highest) = far up

hill(hills) = places where the ground goes up and down again, smaller than a mountain [xxx hillside, hump]

hillside = the part of a hill that goes up or down [xxx hill, hump]

***him***

himself = him

hippo (hippos) = big, fat animals that walk in rivers

***his***

hobble (hobbles, hobbled, hobbling) = to walk in a hard way; or keep from walking

hobgoblin (hobgoblins) = a scary little pretend person

hoe (hoes, hoed, hoeing) = a tool with a long handle, used to chop weeds

hold (holds, held, holding)

hole (holes) = an empty place in the ground or clothes or anywhere

holiday (holidays) = when people don’t have to go to school or to work

hollow = with nothing inside, empty

home (homes) = where someone lives and sleeps [xxx homework]

homework = school lessons you need to do after school [xxx home]

honey = sweet yellow drippy stuff bees make

hood (hoods) = a kind of cap that covers your whole head except your face

hook (hooks) = a bent shape; sometimes means to put or connect together

hop (hops, hopped, hopping) = to make a quick little jump hope = to want something

horns (horn) = hard, pointy things that grow on animals’ heads

Horner = a last name for someone [xxx Humpty Dumpty]

horrible (horrid) = not nice at all, terrible, awful

horse (horses) = nice animals that people sometimes ride

hospitable = nice, helping, making things easy

***hot*** (hotter, hottest)

***hot-dogs*** (hot-dog, hotdog) = sometimes called wieners or frankfurters, long round meat in a bun

hour (hours) = one is enough time for two children’s shows on tv

house (houses) = buildings for people to live in [xxx hut]

***how***

however = this also; though

howl (howls, howled, howling) = a loud sound, sometimes scary, sometimes about being hurt [xxx huff, hum]

hug (hugs, hugged, hugging) = to put arms around and squeeze someone you like

huge (hugest) = very big

huff (huffs, huffed, huffing) = to make a loud sound when breathing hard [xxx hum, howl, hush]

hum (hums, hummed, humming)= to make a sound closing your mouth and pushing air up your neck [xxx hummingbirds, huff, howl, hush]

hummingbirds (hummingbird) = colorful birds smaller than your hand who drink sweet nectar from flowers [xxx hum]

hump (humps) = a pile of something, or to make a pile [xxx hills]

Humpty-Dumpty = a name, maybe the name of an egg [xxx Horner]

hungry (hungrier, hungriest) = wanting to eat something

hunt (hunts, hunted, hunting) = to try to find something [xxx huntsman, hunter]

hunter = someone trying to get something, especially an animal [xxx huntsman, hunt]

huntsman = someone who goes to the forest to get animals [xxx hunt, hunter]

hurry (hurries, hurried, hurrying)= to try to go fast

***hurt*** (hurts, hurting)

hush (hushes, hushed, hushing) = be quiet [xxx hum, huff, howl]

hut (huts)= small house, often made of bricks [xxx house]

hydrant = a fireplug

***I***

I’d = I would [xxx I’ll, I’m]

I’ll = I will [xxx I’d, I’m]

I’m = I am {xxx I’d, I’ll]

ice = frozen water; ice cream -- you know what this is! [xxx icing]

Ichabod = an old name for a boy

icing = frosting, the yummy stuff sometimes on the outside of a cake or cookies [xxx ice]

icky = yucky

idea = a thought or a plan someone thinks [xxx imagine, imagination, imaginary]

if

imagine (imagines, imagined, imagining) = to pretend or make-believe, something kids are especially good at [xxx imagination, imaginary, idea, interest]

imagination = pretend, make-believe, something kids are especially good at [xxx imagine, imaginary, idea, interest]

imaginary = pretend or make-believe [xxx imagine, imagination, interest]

impatient = in a hurry

implore (implores, implored, imploring) = to ask something very strongly important = very special

***in***

inch (inches) = a little distance, maybe as long as your thumb

India-rubber = stuff that makes things that bounce

inside = not outside [xxx into]

instead = something different to do or to use or to be

intend (intends, intended, intending) = to want or try to make something happen

interest (interests, interested, interesting) = to think about or like something [xxx idea, imagine, imagination, imaginary]

***into***

invite (invites, invited, inviting) = to ask to come or to join

***is***

isn’t = is not [xxx it’s]

***it***

it’s = it is [xxx isn’t]

***its***

Jack = a boy’s name [xxx Joan, Jill, Jeremiah, Jimmy, John]

jacket (jackets) = a small or thin kind of coat

jaw (jaws) = the part of your mouth that holds your bottom teeth

Jeremiah = a name for a boy [xxx Jimmy, John, Jill, Joan, Jack]

Jill = a girl’s name [xxx Jack, Joan, Jeremiah, Jimmy, John]

Jimmy = a name for a boy [xxx Jeremiah, John, Jill, Joan, Jack]

Joan = a girl’s name [xxx Jack, Jill, John, Jimmy, Jeremiah]

John = a name for a boy [xxx Jeremiah, Jimmy, Jack, Jill, Joan]

join (joins, joined, joining) = to come together, or put together

journey (journeys, journeyed, journeying) = to take a trip, go somewhere far away

joy (joyful) = happiness

judge (judges, judged, judging) = to decide about things, or a person who decides about things

juice (juices) = something to drink, like from apples and oranges

***jump*** (jumps, jumped, jumping)

jungle (jungle-gym) = a very big forest hard to move through; some parks have a ‘jungle gym’ to climb on

***just***

***keep*** (keeps, kept, keeping)

kertyschoo = a funny sound like a cough or sneeze

key = something to lock or unlock something [xxx keyhole]

keyhole = a place to lock or unlock something [xxx key]

kid (kids) = child; or young goat

kill (kills, killed, killing) = to make not to be alive

***kind*** (kinder, kindest)

kindly = nicely and gently, in a friendly way [xxx kind, kindness]

kindness = a nice thing to do for someone [xxx kind, kindly]

king (kings) = boss of a lot of people [xxx kingdom]

kingdom (kingdoms) = a very big place bossed by a king or queen [xxx king]

kiss (kisses, kissed, kissing) = to touch lips

kitchen (kitchens) = a room where people get food ready to eat

kitty (kitties, kitten, kittens) = young cats

knee (knees) = where your leg bends in the middle

know (knows, knew, knowing, knowledge) = understand

knife (knives) = a tool with a handle and a sharp part that cuts

knock (knocks, knocked, knocking) = to hit, sometimes to make a noise

lady (ladies) = a polite word for a woman

lamb (lambs)= a young sheep

land (lands, landed, landing) = the ground, sometimes means a very big place; or to come down [xxx large]

lane (lanes) = a place to walk, like a little road

large (larger, largest) = very big [xxx land]

last = the final one with no more after [xxx late]

latch (latches) = something to open or shut a door or box [xxx lock]

late (later, latest, lateness) = after or past the right time [xxx last]

***laugh*** (laughs, laughed, laughing, laughter)

lay (lie, laid, lain, lying) = to get down and spread out; or to set something down

lazy (lazier, laziest, laziness) = won’t work, doesn’t do much

lead (leads, led, leading) = showed the way to go

lean = meat without much fat; or someone skinny

leap (leaps, leaped, leapt, leaping) = to make a big jump

learn (learns, learned, learning) = to get to know something

least = smallest or littlest

leave (left, leaving) = to go away from [xxx left-off]

leaves (leaf) = goes away; or green things that grow on plants [xxx left-off, left]

left-off = quit, stopped [xxx leave, leaves, left]

left = went away; or what is still there [xxx left-off, leave, leaves]

leg (legs) = what people and animals walk with

***let*** (lets, letting)

letter (letters) = like a, b, c, d; or something that comes in the mail

lettuce (lettuces) = big green leaves we eat in salad

lick (licks, licked, licking) = to rub with your tongue [xxx like]

lie (lies, lied, lying, liar) = to say something that is not true

life = able to live, or how long someone lives [xxx lively]

lift (lifts, lifted, lifting) = to pick up or raise up

light (lighter, lightest) = brightness that helps us see; or, not heavy

***lightning-bugs*** = fireflies, at night sometimes their tails glow in the dark [add hyphen to original text]

***like*** (likes, liked, liking) = to be made happy by something [xxx lick]

lippity = in little hops

line (lines) = a long string of something, or a long mark

linger (lingers, lingered, lingering) = to stay

lion (lions) = a big wild animal, sometimes with a mane around the neck

lips (lip)= the outside edge of a mouth, what people kiss with

listen (listens, listened, listening) = to be careful to hear

***little***  (littler, littlest)

***live*** (lives, lived, living)

lively (livelier, liveliest) = moving a lot in a very busy way [xxx life]

lo = look, pay attention

load (loads, loaded, loading) = put on someone or something to carry

loaf (loaves) = one whole long piece of bread

lock (locked, locking) = to shut tight, or something hard to open [xxx latch, locks]

locks = pieces of hair that curls or holds together [xxx lock, latch]

log (logs) = a long, round piece of wood

lollipop (lollipops) = a piece of candy on a stick, a sucker

***long*** (longer, longest)

***look*** (looks, looked, looking)

lose (loses, losing) = be unable to find something [xxx lost]

lost = not know where someone or something is [xxx lose]

lot (lots)= a bunch, many

loud (loud, louder, loudest) = a big sound, noisy [xxx loudly]

loudly = noisily [xxx loud]

lovalicious = a pretend words that means easy to love [xxx love, lovely]

love (loves, loved, loving) = to like someone or something very, very much [xxx lovely, lovalicious]

lovely (lovelier, loveliest) = very pretty [xxx love, lovalicious]

lunch (lunches) = the meal people eat in the middle of the day

lungs (lung) = the sacks inside your chest that help you breathe air

machine (machines) = something with many parts that makes something happen

mad (madder, maddest) = angry

madam = a polite word to say instead of a woman’s name

***made***

magic (magical) = to do something strange or impossible, but only pretend

maiden (maid) = a girl or young woman

***make*** (makes, making)

malt = seeds used to help make drinks

***man***

***many*** = more than a few, a lot, a bunch, several [xxx more, most, middle]

march (marches, marched, marching) = to step ahead like a soldier

mark (marks, marked, marking)= to scratch or make a line or shape

marry (marries, married, marrying) = to love each other and decide to live together

Mary = a girl’s name

mash = push and squeeze hard [xxx mill]

master = boss

mat (mats) = like a rug

matter (matters) = be worth something

***may***

maybe = it could be, perhaps [xxx might]

McGregor = a last name for someone [xxx Mr., mister]

***me***

meal (meals) = something to eat, or a time to eat

mean (means, meant, meaning) = to explain or say why; or to hurt someone or someone’s feelings [xxx meanwhile]

meanwhile = at the same time [xxx mean]

medium = in the middle [xxx middle, more, middle-sized]

meet (meets, met, meeting) = when people come together

***men***

meow (meows, meowed, meowing) = a sound kittens and cats make [xxx mew]

mermaids (mermaid) = pretend sea creatures that are like girls or women but with fish tails

merrily = happily, joyfully [xxx merry, merry-go-round]

merry (merrier, merriest) = happy [xxx merrily, merry-go-round]

merry-go-round (merry-go-rounds) = a ride on which children can go around in circles, sometimes on toy creatures [merrier, merry]

message (messages) = to tell or say or write what someone should know [xxx messenger]

messenger (messengers) = a person who goes to tell something [xxx message]

mew (mews, mewed, mewing) = a sound kittens and cats make [xxx meow]

mice = more than one mouse [xxx mouse]

middle = between two other things, sometimes in the center [xxx more, medium, middle-sized]

middle-sized = between big and little [xxx middle, medium, more]

might = could be; or sometimes means strength [xxx mighty, maybe]

mighty = very strong [xxx might, maybe]

milk = drink we get from cows, and sometimes other animals [xxx milks]

milks (milked, milking) = to get milk from an animal, usually a cow [xxx milk]

mill (mills) = a tall machine building that crushes seeds into dusty flour [xxx mash, miller]

miller (millers) = owner of a mill, a kind of big machine [xxx mill]

mince (minced) = food chopped into tiny pieces

mind = what you think with

mischief (mischievous) = doing something naughty, something you’re not supposed to [xxx misfortune, mistake]

misfortune = bad luck [xxx mischief, mistake]

mistake (mistakes, mistook, mistaken) = to do something that is wrong [xxx mischief, misfortune]

mister = a polite word to say before a man’s name [xxx Mr., MacGregor]

mistress = a polite word to say before a woman’s name [xxx Mrs.]

mist (misty) = foggy, when the air feels wet and is hard to see through

mittens (mitten) = like socks for hands to keep your hands warm

mix (mixes, mixed, mixing) = to put all together

moan (moans, moaned, moaning) = to make a quiet sound that means someone is unhappy or hurts

moat (moats) = a big ditch, sometimes full of water, around a castle

model (models) = small toy that looks like something big

***money***

monkey (monkeys) = a furry animal with a long tail who likes to climb trees

moo (moos, mooed, mooing) = the sound a cow makes

moon = a thing that often shows in the sky at night

Mopsy = a name for a rabbit

more = between some, and most or too much [xxx middle, most, many, moreover, middle-sized, moreover]

moreover = also [xxx more, most, many]

morning(morn)= first part of the day

most = not all, but almost all [xxx many, middle, middle-sized, moreover]

mother (momma, mommy) = a woman who loves you

mountain (mountains) = higher than very high hills

mouse = a small animal with a long tail that hides from cats [xxx mice]

mouth (mouths) = what people and animals eat with [xxx mouthful]

mouthful (mouthfuls) = all you can hold in your cheeks [xxx mouth]

move (moves, moved, moving) = to go from one place to another

Mr. = mister, a polite word to say before a man’s name [xxx mister, MacGregor]

Mrs. = miss or mistress, a polite word to say before a woman’s name [xxx mistress, miss]

***much***

mud (mud-pie, mud-ball) = wet dirt [xxx muddy]

muddy (muddier, muddiest, muddied) = dirty and wet [xxx mud]

munch (munches, munched, munching) = to eat in little bites

music (musical) = sounds in patterns that are very nice to listen to

***must***

muzzle (muzzles, muzzle-nose) = an animal’s nose and mouth

***my***

***myself***

***name***

nap (naps, napped, napping) = to take a short sleep

naughty = behaving badly, not being nice

near = close [xxx nearly]

nearly = almost [xxx near]

neck (necks) = the throat between a chin and a chest [xxx necklace]

necklace (necklaces) = a pretty thing worn around the neck [xxx neck]

need (needs, needed, needing) = to have to have

neigh (neighs, neighed, neighing) = the sound a horse makes

neighbors (neighbor, neighboring) = people who live near each other

net (nets) = made of strings, used to catch something or keep something inside

nest(nests) = something birds and other animals sit on

***never***

***new***

next = the one after this one

nibble = to take a little bite (nibbles, nibbled, nibbling)

nice = easy to like (nicer, nicest) [xxx nicely]

nicely = in a good way [xxx nice]

night (nights, nightly) = when it’s dark and the sun doesn’t shine [xxx nightcap, nightgown]

nightcap = worn at night to keep someone’s head warm [xxx night, nightgown]

nightgown = something a girl or woman can wear to sleep in [xxx night, nightcap]

nimble = good at jumping and moving

nine = the number between eight and ten

nip (nips, nipped, nipping) = to take a little bite

***no***

Noah’s-ark (Noah’s-arks) = big boat filled with lots of animals

nobody = no one, not any person [xxx none, nowhere, nor]

nod (nods, nodded, nodding) = to tip the head; or go to sleep

none = not one, not any [xxx nobody, nowhere, nor, nothing, not]

nor = and not this, not this either [xxx not, none, nobody, nowhere, nothing]

nose (noses) = the thing on your face you breath and smell with

***not***

note (notes) = a piece of paper money

nothing = not anything [xxx nobody, none, nor, nowhere]

notice = to see and remember (notices, noticed, noticing) [xxx notion]

notion (notions) = idea [xxx notice]

***now***

nowhere = not any place [xxx none, nobody, nor, nothing]

number-plate = a hard, stiff sign that shows numbers for a kind of name

Numbskull = a funny pretend name

nursery = an old word for the children’s room

nut-trees = they make nuts people can eat [

oak-trees = they are strong and make acorns

occur (occurs, occurred, occurring) = happen

odd = strange, unusual

***of***

***off***

often = lots of the time

oh = a word people say when they have a strong feeling

okay (ok) = all right

***old***  (older, oldest)

***on***

***once***

***one***

ones = things or people

onion (onions) = a vegetable that grows in the ground, good on hamburgers

***only***

***open*** (opens, opened, opening)

onto = on top of, or to go on top of [xxx overtops]

***or***

orange (oranges) = a yummy fruit; or a color between yellow and red

ostrich (ostriches) = a big bird with a long neck that runs but can’t fly [xxx outrun]

other (others) = different, not the same [xxx only]

ought = should

***our***

***out***

outrun (outruns, outran, outrunning) = to go faster than [xxx ostrich]

outside = not inside

oven (ovens) = a hot place to put food to cook or bake

***over***

own (owns, owned, owning) = to have something; something belongs to someone

overhear (overhears, overheard, overhearing) = to listen when people don’t know you’re paying attention

overtops = goes over [xxx onto]

owl (owls) = a bird with big eyes that flies mostly at night

oysters (oyster) = sea creatures with hard round shells you can sometimes find on a beach

pack (packs, packed, packing) = to load, make ready to put away or to move somewhere [xxx load]

pail (pails) = bucket [xxx pan]

pair (pairs, paired, pairing) = two alike, a couple [xxx palm]

palace (palaces) = a fancy home for kings and queens

palm (palms) = the inside of a hand; or a kind of tree [xxx pat, pair, paw]

pan (pans) = a round metal thing to put something in [xxx pancake, pail]

pancakes (pancake) = round flat pieces of cake-like bread people sometimes eat with syrup for breakfast [xxx pan]

***paper*** (papers)

park (parks) = a place with grass and trees and sometimes a playground for kids [xxx pasture]

parsley = a plant people use in tiny bits to add flavor

part (parts, parted, parting) = a piece or bits of something larger; or to go away [xxx piece]

***party*** (parties)

pass (passes, passed, passing; past) = to go by [xxx passenger]

passenger (passengers) = a person who rides with others on something [xxx pass]

pasture (pastures) = a field where cows and horses like to eat grass [xxx park]

pat (pats, patted, patting) = to tap gently with a hand [xxx palm]

patch (patches, patched, patching) = sometimes cloth to mend a hole; sometimes a place for plants

path (paths, pathway) = a way to walk, usually on grass [xxx park, pasture]

patience = not be upset or bothered by waiting or other things [xxx patiently, peaceful]

patiently = without being upset or in a big hurry [xxx patience, peaceful]

paw (paws, paw-fingers, paw-toes) = like hands or feet for an animal [xxx palm]

pay (pays, paid, paying) = to give someone something

peas (pea) = little round green vegetables [pea-green]

pea-green = a color like many leaves and grass [xxx peas]

peaceful (peace, peacefully) = quiet, calm, without any worry [xxx patience, patiently]

pearl (pearls) = a round little shiny ball people use to make necklaces

peek (peeks, peeked, peeking) = to take a little look [xxx peep]

peep (peeps, peeped, peeping) = peek, take a little look; or a sound a small bird makes [xxx peek]

pennies (penny) = brown coins, five buy as much as a nickel

people = persons

perfect (perfectly) = exactly right [xxx proper]

perhaps = maybe

permission = being allowed to do something

pet (pets, petted, petting) = to rub an animal smoothly or gently; or an animal that’s a special friend

Peter = a name for a boy

***pick*** (picks, picked, picking)

picture (pictures, pictured, picturing) = a photo, painting, or drawing; or to imagine something

pie (pies) = mostly yummy to eat with sweet stuff inside [xxx pizza]

piece (pieces) = a part or bits of something larger [xxx part]

pig (piggy, piggy-wig) = an animal with a flat nose who eats a lot

pillow (pillows) = soft cushion for your head

pin (pins, pinned, pinning)= something thin with a point; or to stick or hold something

pink (pinkish) = a color that’s a little bit reddish

piper = someone who blows a flute or pipe to make music

pixie (pixies) = a pretend creature like a fairy, but usually without wings, sometimes mischievous

pizza (pizzas) = round bread with yummy things cooked on top [xxx pie]

place (places) = somewhere

plain (plainer, plainest) = easy to understand; or sometimes a big flat piece of ground

plant (plants, planted, planting) = to put a seed in the ground to grow; or something that grows in the ground

plate (plates) = a round dish we put food on to eat

platter (platters) = a big plate or dish [xxx plate]

***play***  (plays, played, playing)

pleasant = nice

***please***

pleased = happy

plenty (plentiful) = a lot

plop (plops, plopped, plopping) = flop down

plum (plums) = a yummy purple fruit shaped a little like an egg

plump (plumper, plumpest) = full-sized, not skinny or thin

point (points, pointed, pointing; pointy) = to aim something to show where to look; or the sharp end of something

poison = bad stuff that can hurt or kill anyone who eats or drinks it [xxx poison-ivy]

poison-ivy = green leaves that make people itch and scratch [xxx poison]

poke (pokes, poked, poking) = to tap or jab or push

polish (polishes, polished, polishing) = to make shiny

polite = a very nice way to say or do something

pool (pools) = a place with water, usually for swimming [xxx pond, puddle]

pond (ponds)= a place with water, bigger than a puddle, smaller than a lake [xxx pool]

poops (pooped, pooping) = to make stinky stuff that belongs in the toilet [xxx poop, potty]

poop = stinky stuff that belongs in the toilet [xxx poops, potty]

poor (poorer, poorest) = sad, unhappy, or without enough money

poppa = a sweet word for father

pop (pops, popped, popping) = to move quickly; or make a quick loud sound

porridge = food in a bowl some people eat for breakfast [xxx pie, pizza]

potatoes (potato) = vegetables that grow in the ground

potty = a place to poop; or to go poop [xxx poop, poops]

pour (pours, poured, pouring) = to tip something so it falls into something else [xxx poop, poops, potty]

practice (practices, practiced, practicing) = to do something many times to learn it or learn how

present (presents) = a gift; or can mean now [xxx presently]

presently = now or soon [xxx present]

pretend (pretends, pretended, pretending) = to imagine, to make-believe

***pretty*** (prettier, prettiest)

pride = a feeling that someone or something is very, very good [xxx proud]

priest (priests) = an important church person

probably = likely to be true or to happen

promise (promises, promised, promising) = to say someone will truly do something

proper (properly) = right or correct, or in the right or correct way [xxx perfect]

proud = felt very good about being or doing or having something [xxx pride]

puff (puffs, puffed, puffing) = to make a little bit of air push out quickly [xxx purr]

***pull*** (pulls, pulled, pulling)

pump (pumps, pumped, pumping) = moving legs to swing faster and higher; or something that brings up water

puppy (puppies) = a dog that’s young, a kind of child dog

purr (purrs, purred, purring) = a happy sound kittens and cats make [xxx puff, pussy]

push (pushes, pushed, pushing) = to shove, try to move something [xxx pull]

pussy (pussy-cat ) = a girl cat, a kitty [xxx purr]

***put*** (puts, putting)

puzzle (puzzles) = something in parts that people can put back together; or to try [xxx puzzled]

puzzled (puzzling) = confused, trying to understand something [xxx puzzle]

quack (quacks, quacked, quacking) = the sound a duck makes

quarrel (quarrels, quarreled, quarreling) = to argue, disagree, say bad things to each other

queen (queens) = woman who is the boss of many people

question (questions, questioned, questioning) = to ask for an answer

quick (quickly, quick-slap) = fast, in a hurry

quiet (quietly) = no sound, or very little sound [xxx quite]

quince = a fruit that’s kind of like a pear and kind of like an apple

quit (quits, quitting) = to stop doing something [xxx quite]

quite = very much [xxx quit, quiet]

rabbit (rabbits) = an animal with long ears who likes to hop, a bunny [xxx race, rat]

race (races, raced, racing) = to run fast; or running to see who is fastest [xxx rabbit, running, rush]

raddish (radishes) = a little red plant that grows underground and has a sharp, hard taste [xxx root, red]

rag (rags, ragged) = torn cloth not good for much

rage (rages, raged, raging) = to be very mad, feel very strong anger [xxx roar, rowwrrr]

rain (rains, rained, raining) = when drops of water fall from clouds [xxx rainbow]

rainbow (rainbows) = many colors in a half circle we sometimes see in the sky after a storm [xxx rain]

raise (raises, raised, raising) = to lift up [xxx reach; rose]

raisins (raisin) = little fruit, mostly brown, made from special dried grapes

rake (rakes) = a tool with a long handle for gathering leaves or grass

ramp (ramps) = a flat thing to ride a bicycle or tricycle or car up or down

***ran***

rat (rats)= like a big mouse [xxx rabbit]

rather = prefer or choose or want instead of something else

reach = (reaches, reached, reaching) stretch to get something [xxx raise]

***read*** ( reads, reader, reading) [pronounce for present tense and past tense]

ready = ok if something happens

realize (realizes, realized, realizing) = begin to understand or know [xxx really, remember, remind]

really = truly or surely [xxx realize]

receive (receives, received, receiving) = to get

recommend (recommends, recommended, recommending; recommendation) = to suggest someone should do something [xxx reply]

red (redder, reddest) = the color of blood when you get a scrape [xxx raddish]

reel (reels) = a kind of wheel that helps twist wool hair into yarn string

remember (remembers, remembered, remembering) = to think about things that happened [xxx remind, realize]

remind (reminds, reminded, reminding) = to help remember [xxx remember, realize]

remote = far away; or the thing you hold in your hand to change tv programs

repay (repays, repaid, repaying)= to give back

reply (replies, replied, replying) = to say something after someone else speaks [xxx recommend]

rest (rests, rested, resting) = to stop doing things, stay quiet

revive (revives, revived, reviving) = to wake up, able to do things again

***ride*** (rides, rode, riding)

riding-hood = a cap and cape, in old times for riding horses in bad weather

***right***

***ring***  (rings, rang, ringing)

rinse (rinses, rinsed, rinsing) = to wash clean with water

river (rivers) = a long, wide stream of water that goes downhill [xxx rinse]

road (roads) = a wide place where cars can drive

roar (roars, roared, roaring)= make a loud angry sound [xxx rowwrrr, rage]

robin(robins) = a bird with a black back and a red or orange chest and tummy

rock (rocks, rocked, rocking) = a hard stone; or to move a cradle gently side to side [xxx rough, rumble, roll]

roll (rolls, rolled, rolling) = to move ahead top over bottom again and again; or a kind of bread [xxx rock, rumble]

roof (roofs) = the top part of a house or building [xxx room]

room (rooms) = a place or space, sometimes in a house [xxx roof]

root (roots) = the part of a plant that grows underground [xxx radish]

rope (ropes) = like a long piece of very thick string

rose (roses) = sometimes a flower or a color, sometimes ‘got up’ [xxx rusty, raise]

rough (rougher, roughest, roughened) = not smooth, sometimes kind of scratchy or hard [xxx rock]

***round***

roundhouse = where trains change from one set of tracks to another set

row (rows, rowed, rowing) = things all in a line; or to pull on an oar or long paddle to move a boat

rowwrrr = a roaring sound a big animal might make [xxx roar, rage]

rude (ruder, rudest) = impolite, might hurt someone’s feelings

ruin (ruins, ruined, ruining) = to break completely or destroy

rule (rules) = something someone should always do

rumble (rumbles, rumbled, rumbling) = to make a sound like rocks or blocks make when you shake them in a box [xxx rock, roll]

Rumpelstiltskin = a strange name for a strangle little person [xxx runcible]

***run***

runcible = a fun made-up, pretend word [xxx Rumplestiltskin]

running = using legs to move fast [xxx rush, race]

rush (rushes, rushed, rushing) = hurry [xxx running, race]

rusty = dirty orange color on metal that has been wet [xxx rose]

sack (sacks) = a bag

sad (sadder, saddest) = unhappy

safe (safer, safest) = not have to worry; no one can cause hurt someone [xxx satisfy, save]

***said***

sail (sails, sailed, sailing) = cloth that uses wind to move a boat or ship; or pushed by wind [xxx sheets, ship]

same = just like something else

sand = teeny-tiny bits of round rock [xxx sand-bank]

sand-bank = a side of a hill that’s mostly sand [xxx sand]

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satisfy (satisfies, satisfied, satisfying) = to feel happy, content and ok [xxx safe]

saucer (saucers) = a little dish, sometimes goes under a cup

save (saves, saved, saving) = to keep from harm or danger, to protect [xxx safe, satisfy]

***saw***

***say*** (says, saying)

scamper (scampers, scampered, scampering) = to run quickly in little jerks [xxx scutter]

scarcely (scarce) = barely, almost not any

scare (scares, scared, scaring) = to frighten [xxx scare-crow, shriek, shout, squeal, scream]

scare-crow = a pretend person on a stick to keep birds from eating seeds and plants [xxx scare]

school (schools) = where children go to learn

scissors = used for cutting paper or cloth [xxx snip]

scold (scolds, scolded, scolding) = to nag, to tell someone not to make mistakes or be bad

scooter (scooters)= a toy for kids to ride on a flat piece between the front wheel and back wheel

scour (scours, scoured, scouring) = to rub very hard to clean [xxx scratch, scritch]

scratch (scratches, scratched, scratching) = to rub with something like sticks or fingers [xxx scour, scritch]

scream (screams, screamed, screaming) = to yell very loud when mad or afraid [xxx shriek, shout, squeal, scare, sound]

scritch (scr-r-ritch) = a scratching sound

scutter (scutters, scuttered, scuttering) = to move quickly in little steps [xxx scamper]

sea [xxx shore, sea-horse] = a big place with water that tastes salty and makes big waves

sea-horse (sea-horses, seahorse) = a water animal about the size of your thumb that seems to have a horse head [xxx sea] [add a hyphen to the original text]

search (searches, searched, searching) = to try to find [xxx seek]

second (seconds) = number two, after the first and before the third; or a short part of a minute

secret (secrets) = something kept hidden from other people

***see*** (sees, seeing)

***seed (seeds)***

seek (seeks, sought, seeking) = to try to find [xxx search]

seem (seems, seemed, seeming) = not real, but like real

sell (sells, sold, selling) = to give someone something after they pay some money [xxx seller, send, shop, spend]

seller = a person who sells things [xxx sell, shop, spend]

send (sends, sent, sending) = to make go away (xxx sell, seller)

serious (seriously) = without any fun or play [xxx stern]

set (sets, setting) = on something, or to put on something

***seven***

shade (shady) = a darker place away from the sun or light [xxx shadow]

shadow (shadows) = a dark shape where the light can’t show [xxx shade]

shake (shakes, shook, shaking) = to move a little bit quickly, many times

***shall***

shame = to feel bad for doing something you should not do

shampoo (shampoos) = stuff from a bottle to mix with water and wash hair clean

shape (shapes, shaped, shaping) = the outline of how something looks [xxx short, skinny, short-legged]

sharp (sharper, sharpest) = pointy or with an edge that can cut [xxx slice]

shave (shaves, shaved, shaving, shaven) = hair or whiskers cut off [xxx shorn]

***she***

she’d = she had

shed (sheds, shedded, shedding) = a small, simple building; or when hair just drops off

sheep = animals that eat grass and grow hairy fur called wool

sheets (sheet) = thin white things like blankets for beds [xxx sail]

shells (shell) = the hard outside coverings for turtles and clams and nuts

shepherd (shepherds) = someone who takes care of sheep

shilling (shillings) = a kind of money

shine = (shines, shined, shone, shining) to make a bright light [xxx shiny, sparks, star, sun]

shiny (shinier, shiniest) = making a bright light or glow [xxx shine, sparks, star, sun]

ship (ships) = big boat with sails or engines to move on water [xxx sail]

shoe (shoes) = what you wear on your feet [xxx socks, stockings]

shoot (shoots, shot, shooting) = to move fast; or when a gun fires a bullet

shop (shops, shopped, shopping; shopper) = to buy things, or a place to buy things [xxx sell, seller]

shore (shores) = where a sea or ocean touches land with sand or rocks [xxx sea]

shorn = shaving or cutting off all the hair [xxx shave, short]

short (shorter, shortest) = not very long or tall (xxx short-legged]

short-legged = not very tall, probably slow (xxx short)

should = ought to [xxx shoulder, shouldn’t]

shoulder (shoulders) = the very top part of your arm [xxx should, shrug]

shouldn’t = should not [xxx should, shoulder]

shout (shouts, shouted, shouting) = to yell, to say in a loud voice [xxx shriek, scream, squeal, sound]

***show*** (shows, showed, showing, shown)

shower (showers, showered, showering) = when water falls down [xxx sprinkle, splash, storm]

show-off = wanting people to look and think you’re special [xxx sight]

shrewd = smart or clever or tricky [sly, slyly, smart]

shriek (shrieks, shrieked, shrieking) = to make a loud noise like a scream [xxx scream, shout, squeal]

shrink (shrinks, shrank, shrunk) = to get smaller [xxx small, shorn]

shrug (shrugs, shrugged, shrugging) = to raise and drop should to show you don’t care [xxx shoulders]

shut (shuts, shutting) = to close

[sick](https://internetpoem.com/poems/sick/) (sicker, sickest) = feeling bad, not well

side (sides) = usually the outer part of something [xxx sidetrack]

sidetrack = a short track to rest on that is beside a long track to go on [xxx side]

sieve = a kind of little net made of metal with a handle

sigh (sighs, sighed, sighing) = make an unhappy little sound with just breath [xxx shriek, sob]

sight = being able to see, or whatever you see [xxx show-off]

sign (signs, signed, signing) = a thing that helps you know something; or to write your name

silly (sillier, silliest) = funny, goofy

silver = a shiny white-gray color; or what some money is made of

***sing***  (sings, sang, singing)

sink (sinks, sank, sunk) = to go down, often under or into something

sinner (sinners) = someone who does bad things

sir = a polite word to say instead of a man’s name

***sister*** (sisters)

***sit*** (sits, sat, sitting)

***six***

size (sizes, sized) = how big or how little [xxx small, short, short-legged, skinny, shape]

skate (skates, skated, skating; skater) = to move smoothly on ice or on wheels [xxx skateboard, slide, smooth, smoothly]

skateboard (skateboards) = a flat piece of wood with little wheels that kids like to ride on [xxx skate, skip, slam, slide, smooth, smoothly]

skin = the outside of your body and of animals’ bodies [xxx skinned, skinny, shape, size]

skinned = scraped something like your knee, and maybe made it bleed [xxx skin, skinny]

skinny = very thin [skinned, skin, shape, size]

skip (skips, skipped, skipping) = to move quickly with little hops [xxx skate, skateboard]

sky (skies) = where we see the sun, moon, stars, and clouds

slam (slams, slammed, slamming) = to shut or hit in a loud, hard way [xxx stub, smash, swat, squish]

***sleep*** (sleeps, slept, sleeping)

sleep-over (sleep-overs) = when kids have one or more kids spend the night [xxx sleepy, sleepy-head, sleeping-cars]

sleeping-cars = where people sleep on a train [xxx sleepy-head, sleepy, sleep-over]

sleepy = ready to go to sleep [xxx sleepy-head, sleeping-cars, sleep-over]

sleepy-head = not awake yet [xxx sleeping-cars, sleepy, sleep-over]

slice (slices, sliced, slicing) = to cut into pieces, mostly same size pieces, or one piece [xxx sharp]

slide (slides, slid, sliding) = to move across smoothly; or something to ride down smoothly [xxx slip, slope, skate, skateboard, smooth]

slip (slips, slipped, slipping; slippery) = to have a foot or hand slide; or to lose balance or fall [xxx slide, slope, skate, skateboard]

slope (slopes) = like the up or down side of a hill [xxx slide, slip]

slow (slower, slowest) = not fast [xxx slowly, slowpoke]

slowly = not very fast [xxx slow, slowpoke]

slowpoke = name to call someone who doesn’t move quickly [xxx slow, slowly, sleepy]

sly = able to trick or fool someone [xxx slyly, smart, shrewd, spy]

slyly = do something to trick or fool someone [xxx sly, smart, spy, shrewd]

***small*** (smaller, smallest)

smart (smarter, smartest) = knowing things, clever, intelligent [xxx sly, slyly, shrewd]

smash (smashes, smashed, smashing) = to hit very hard, sometimes to break or flatten something [xxx squish, slam, stub, swat]

smell (smells, smelled, smelling) = to notice an odor or scent or stink because of air in the nose [xxx stink]

smile (smiles, smiled, smiling) = to show happiness by curling mouth corners

smoke (smokes, smoked, smoking; smoker) = to make a white or brown or black cloud that goes up from a fire [xxx smokestack]

smokestack = a tall round empty thing that smoke comes up out of [xxx smoke]

smooth (smoother, smoothest) = without any bumps or scratches [xxx smoothly, soft, softly, skate, skateboard]

smoothly = move without any bumps or scratches [xxx smooth, soft, softly, skate, skateboard]

snack (snacks, snacked, snacking) = to eat a little bit of something

snake (snakes) = an animal that has no arms or legs

snap (snaps, snapped, snapping) = to break something skinny; or make a little pop sound [xxx skinny]

snatch (snatches, snatched, snatching) = to grab something quickly

sneak (sneak, sneaked, sneaking) = to try to hide what you’re doing [xxx sneaky, sly, slyly, shade, shady]

sneeze (sneezes, sneezed, sneezing) = to blow loud out the nose; to cough through the nose [xxx snore, snort, sniff, sob]

sniff (sniffs, sniffed, sniffing) = to make a noise sucking air into the nose [xxx snore, snort, sneeze, sob, sound]

snip (snips, snipped, snipping) = to cut [xxx scissors]

snore = a loud noise people make with their nose while sleeping (snores, snored, snoring) [xxx snort, sneeze, sniff, sob, sound]

snort = to make a loud quick noise through the nose (snorts, snorted, snorting) [xxx snore, sniff, sneeze, sound, scream]

snow = frozen white flakes that fall from the sky and pile up on the ground (snows, snowed, snowing)

snug = close and comfy [xxx snuggle]

snuggle (snuggled) = get close and touch gently [xxx snug]

***so***

soap (soapy) = stuff to wash with

sob (sobs, sobbed, sobbing) = to make a quiet crying sound [xxx sniff, sound]

socks (sock) = stockings [xxx stockings, shoe]

sofa (sofas) = like a big soft chair, long enough to sleep on

soft (softer, softest) = very easy and nice to touch [xxx softened, softly, smooth]

softened = made very easy and nice to touch [xxx soft, softly, smooth]

softly = in a nice smooth way [xxx soft, softened, smoothly, smooth]

soil (soils, soiled, soiling) = to make dirty; or ground in which plants grow

soldier (soldiers) = an army person, a fighter

***some***

someone (somebody) = a person [xxx something, sometimes, somewhere]

something = a thing [xxx someone, sometimes, somewhere]

sometimes = happening a few times or often [xxx someone, something, somewhere]

somewhere = a different place [xxx someone, something, sometimes]

son (sons) = a boy with someone as his mother or father

***song*** (songs)

***soon*** (sooner, soonest)

sore (sorer, sorest) = hurting, painful [xxx sorely, sorry]

sorely = in hard way [xxx sorry, sore]

sorry (sorrier, sorriest) = feeling bad about something [xxx sorely, sore]

sort = kind or type

sound (sounds) = what you hear with your ears [xxx soundly, scream, shout, squeal, sob, sniff, snort, snore, sneeze, speak]

soundly = completely, very much [xxx sound]

soup (soups) = food that’s watery and often comes in a bowl

space (spaces) = room or a place; outer space is where the stars are [xxx star]

spare (spares, spared, sparing) = extra; or not to hurt or take something or someone

sparks (spark) = tiny bright fire-like lights [xxx shine, shiny, star, sun, star]

sparrows (sparrow)= brown, white, and gray or black birds about the size of your hand [xxx swallow]

special = not usual, often means very nice [xxx specialist]

specialist = someone very good at something [xxx special]

spend (spends, spent, spending) = to use money to buy something [xxx shop, sell, seller]

speak (speaks, spoke, speaking, spoken)= to say [xxx sound]

speed (speeds, sped, speeding, speedy) = to go fast, sometimes too fast [xxx sudden]

spice (spices) = something put into food to add new flavor

spider (spiders) = a bug with 8 legs that makes webs [xxx spin]

spin (spins, spun, spinning) = to make go around and around; or make a web [xxx spinning-wheel, spinster, spider]

spinning-wheel = wheel that twists little bit of wool or hair into long strings of thread or yarn [xxx spin, spinster]

spinster = a woman who works at a spinning wheel [xxx spin, spinning-wheel]

splash (splashes, splashed, splashing) = to make water bounce up [xxx sprinkle, shower]

spoon (spoons) = the piece of silverware you use to eat soup

sport (sports) = play or fun; or games like baseball and football

spot (spots, spotted, spotting) = a mark on something; or to notice something

Sprat = a last name for someone

spread (spreads, spreading) = to go off in different directions, like peanut butter on bread

spring (springs, sprang, sprung) = to jump up [xxx splash]

sprinkle (sprinkles, sprinkled, sprinkling)= to scatter little bits of something like water or salt or pepper [xxx splash, shower]

spy (spies, spied, spying) = to secretly try to find out something [xxx sly, slyly, shrewd, smart]

square (squares) = the same on all sides, with four corners; or means right and proper

squat (squats, squatted, squatting) = to bend knees and get close to the ground

squeal (squeals, squealed, squealing) = to make a long, squeaky sound like a pig [xxx shout, shriek, scream, snore, sound]

squeeze (squeezes, squeezed, squeezing) = to push tight together [stub, smash, squish, slam, stub, swat]

***squirrel*** (squirrels) = a little animal with a big tail who lives in trees and eats nuts

squish (squishes, squished, squishing) = to push or mash down flat [xxx smash, slam, squeeze]

stair (stairs) = steps to go up or down, sometimes just one step [xxx step]

stalk (stalks, stalked, stalking) = to follow quietly and try to catch; or a long stem [xxx stem, straw]

stand (stands, stood, standing) = to be straight up with knees and back not bent

star (stars) = a tiny bright light in the night sky [xxx shiny, shine, sparks, sun, starfish, space, stare]

starfish = sea creatures you sometimes find on a beach shaped like a five-point star [xxx star]

stare (stares, stared, staring) = to look at carefully, sometimes for a long time [xxx star]

***start*** (starts, started, starting)

stay (stays, stayed, staying) = to remain, not move, not go to a different place [xxx still, stuck]

steadily = in an even, unchanging way (xxx steady)

steady = not fast, but careful not to make mistakes (xxx steadily)

steal (steals, stole, stealing, stolen) = when people take things that don’t belong to them

steam = the hot, wet airy smoke-like stuff water makes when it’s hot

steer (steers, steered, steering) = to turn or guide to make something go the right way

stem (stems) = the thin green thing that connects a flower or fruit to the plant it comes from [xxx stalk, straw]

step (steps, stepped, stepping) = to move your leg and foot; or one part of a stair [xxx stair]

stern (sternly) = serious, not smiling [xxx serious]

***stick*** (sticks, stuck, sticking)

still = quiet; or unmoving; or yet; or staying without a change; or ‘at this time too’ [xxx stay, stuck]

stink (stinks, stank, stunk, stinking) = to smell bad [xxx smell]

stockings (stocking) = socks [xxx socks, shoe]

stomach = a polite word for tummy or belly

stones (stone) = rocks, sometimes round or smooth

***stop*** (stops, stopped, stopping)

storm (stormy, storming) = lots of rain and wind and thunder [xxx shower, sprinkle]

story (stories) = telling about something pretend as if it happened; sometimes a fairy tale

straight = in one direction, without any change

strange (stranger, strangest) = unknown, or odd and unusual [xxx surprise]

straw (straws) = a long hollow stems of wheat grass; or something hollow to sip through [xxx strawberries]

strawberries (strawberry) = yummy red fruit [xxx straw]

stream (streams) = a big creek or small river

***street*** (streets)

strength = power, being able to do something hard [xxx strong]

stripes (stripe, striped) = lines on something

strong (stronger, strongest) = able to do something hard, like lift or move something big and heavy [xxx strength]

stub (stubs, stubbed, stubbing) = to bang or shove something into something, especially a toe [xxx slam, smash, swat, squish, squeeze]

stuff = something [xxx such]

stupid = not smart; a rude word people should not use

such = this kind of; sometimes means a lot of something [xxx stuff]

suck (sucks, sucked, sucking) = to pull into your mouth, like through a straw [xxx sucker, straw]

sucker = a piece of candy on a stick, a lollipop [xxx suck]

sudden (suddenly) = very quick, very fast [xxx speed]

suggest = to say that maybe someone should do something (suggests, suggested, suggesting) [xxx suppose, suspect]

suit (suits, suited, suiting) = nice clothes; or something that fits nicely or is right for

***sun*** (sunbeams, sunshine, sunny)

sundae (sundaes) = an ice cream treat with lots of syrup and sometimes fruit and nuts

supper (suppers) = the evening meal

suppose (supposes, supposed, supposing) = imagine, pretend, what if [xxx suggest, suspect]

sure = always, certain; sometimes ‘yes’ [xxx surely]

surely = certainly, truly [xxx sure]

surprise (surprises, surprised, surprising) = when something unexpected or unusual happens [xxx strange]

suspect (suspect, suspects, suspected) = to think something is true [xxx suppose, suggest]

swallow (swallows, swallowed, swallowing)= to move down someone’s throat or neck; sometimes a kind of bird [xxx sparrow]

swat (swats, swatted, swatting) = move a hand to hit something or keep it away [xxx slam, stub, smash]

sweater (sweaters) = something warm to wear over a shirt

sweep (sweeps, swept, sweeping) = to brush across to make clean

sweet (sweeter, sweetest; sweetly) = a sugary taste, or acting very nice [xxx sweetly]

swim (swims, swam, swimming; swimmer) = to move around in water without touching the bottom or side

swing (swings, swung, swinging) = to move frontwards and backwards in the air

switch (switches, switched, switching)= to change

table (tables) = a piece of furniture to put things on

tadpoles (tadpole) = tiny swimming things that grow up to be frogs

tag (tags, tagged, tagging) = to touch someone and sometimes run before they can touch you back

tail (tails) = the back end part of animals like dogs, birds, and fish [xxx tale]

***take***  (takes, took, taking, taken)

tale = a story [xxx tail]

tall (taller, tallest) = high

tape = sticky stuff to put something like paper on something [xxx tapes]

tapes (taped, taping) = to put sticky stuff on something [xxx tape]

tarry = to wait (tarries, tarried, tarrying)

task (tasks) = job or work [xxx toil]

taste (tastes, tasted, tasting) = to know the flavor something has, like sweet or sour

tattered (tatters) = raggedy, ripped

tea = a drink, usually hot

teach (teaches, taught, teaching) = to help someone learn [xxx teacher]

teacher = a person who helps others learn [xxx teach]

tears (tear) = water that drops from eyes when people are sad; or could mean ‘rips’ [2 sounds]

tease (teases, tease, teasing) = to bother someone in play [xxx tickle]

teaspoonful = a little bit of something to drink

teeny (teeniest) = little bitty, very small [xxx tiny]

teeter-totter = a seesaw, one side goes up when the other goes down

teeth (tooth) = the white things animals bite and chew with

television = tv

tell (tells, told, telling) = to say something to someone

ten = the number between nine and eleven

tender = soft, easy to hurt

terrible = very, very bad

terrific = wonderful, very good (terrifically)

than = a word to help say two things are different

***thank***  (thanks, thanked, thanking)

***that***

that’s = that is

***the***

***their***

***them***

***then***

***there***

there's = there is

***these***

***they***

thief (thieves)= people who take and keep something they shouldn’t

***thing*** (things)

***think*** (thinks, thinking)

third = number three, after second, before fourth

thirsty (thirstier, thirstiest) = wanting to have a drink

***this***

thorn (thorns) = a pointed thing that grows on stems [xxx thorny]

thorny = with lots of thorns, pointy things that grow on stems [xxx thorn]

***those***

thought = after you think something, then you have had one

thrash (thrashes, thrashed, thrashing) = to whip or beat or to flop around

thread (threads) = a very thin piece of string, used for sewing [xxx tie]

***three***

throne (thrones) = a fancy chair for a king or queen

through = the whole way; or from one end to another; or finished

throw (throws, threw, throwing, thrown) = to toss something far in the air

thumb (thumbs) = the wiggly thing beside your four fingers

thump (thumps, thumped, thumping) = to make a heavy sound [xxx thunder]

thunder (thunders, thundered, thundering) = to make a loud noise in the sky, usually during a storm [xxx thump]

tickle (tickles, tickled, tickling) = to touch someone to try to make them laugh [xxx tease]

tie (ties, tied, tying) = to make a knot with string, usually around something [xxx tight, tighten, thread]

tidy (tidied, tidies, tidier, tidiest) = neat, with everything clean and where it should be

tiger (tigers) = a big cat with gold and black stripes

tight (tighter, tightest) = with no extra room, very close [xxx tie, tighten]

tighten (tightens, tightened, tightening) = squeeze close [xxx tie, tighten]

till = until, up to the time, before something else [xxx time]

***time***

time-out = when someone misbehaved and has to sit quietly

Timothy = a name for a boy [xxx Tom]

tiny (tinier, tiniest) = smaller than small [xxx teeny]

tip (tip, tips, tipping) = to move off balance and maybe fall; or the very end point of something [xxx tip-top, tops]

tip-top = the highest place [xxx tops, tip]

tire-wheels = round things, mostly rubber, that cars go on [xxx tire]

tire (tires, tired, tiring) = to lose energy, need rest or sleep; or a wheel for a bike or car [xxx tire-wheels]

***to***

***today***

toe (toes) = the five wiggly things at the end of your foot [xxx toenails]

toenails (toenail) = the hard smooth things at the end of your toes [xxx toe]

***together***

toil (toils, toiled, toiling) = to work hard [xxx toilet, task]

toilet (toilets) = where people go to poop [xxx toil]

Tom = a name for a boy [xxx Timothy]

tomato (tomatoes) = round things, usually red, that people slice to eat

tomorrow = the day after today [xxx tonight]

tongue (tongues) = used to move or taste things in the mouth

tonight = this night [xxx time, tomorrow]

***too***

tool (tools) = something that helps people work, like a hammer or axe [xxx tool-shed, toil, task]

tool-shed = a little building to keep tools [xxx tool]

toot (toots, tooted, tooting) = the sound a train horn, or a bugle or trumpet, makes when it blows

***top***

tops = goes to the highest part of [xx tip-top, tip]

tore (torn, tearing) = ripped or split apart

tortoise (tortoises) = another name for a turtle [xxx turtle]

toss (tosses, tossed, tossing) = to throw up in the air

tough (tougher, toughest) = strong; or not bothered by things that are hard

toward (towards)= in the direction of, going to

tower (towers) = a tall building or part of a building, usually skinny and round

town (towns) = a small city with streets and buildings

toy (toys) = things kids like to play with [xxx tricycle, train, teeter-totter, television, tortoise, turtle, tool, tree, trunk, tunnel]

tracks (track) = the metal rails that train wheels roll on; or marks made by feet or paws [xxx train]

train (trains, train-of-cars) = the cars and locomotive that roll on rails [xxx track]

travel (travels, travelled, travelling) = to go somewhere, usually far away [xxx traveler]

traveler = someone who goes far away [xxx travel]

treasure (treasures) = something worth lots and lots of money [xxx treasury]

treasury = a place to keep lots and lots of money and special things [xxx treasure]

tree (trees) = plants with trunks that can grow taller than people

tremble (trembles, trembled, trembling) = to make jerky little skin movements when afraid or cold [xxx twitch, tug]

trick (tricks, tricked, tricking; tricky) = to fool someone, have them make a mistake

tricycle (tricycles) = a toy with one big and two smaller wheels little kids like to ride on

trot (trots, trotted, trotting) = when a horse runs a little fast, but not as fast as a canter or gallop

try (tries, tried, trying) = to make an effort or attempt to do something

trunk (trunks) = the thickest tree part; or the long nose of an elephant

tuck (tucks, tucked, tucking) = to tighten the edges underneath, especially blankets

tuffet = a low seat like a footstool

tug (tugs, tugged, tugging) = to pull in jerky stops and starts [xxx tremble, twitch]

tumble (tumbles, tumbled, tumbling) = to fall and roll over

tummy (tummies) = belly or stomach

tunnel (tunnels) = a long hole in the ground, sometimes big enough for people to move through

turkey (turkeys) = a bird, bigger than a chicken, with a big tail

turn (turns, turned, turning) = move around

tv = television

twig (twigs)= a very small branch from a tree, not bigger than your finger

twist (twists, twisted, twisting) = wrap around [xxx twisty]

twisty = wrapped around or bent [xxx twist]

twitch (twitches, twitched, twitching) = to make quick little movements without meaning to [xxx tremble, tug]

***two***

umbrella (umbrellas) = something to hold to keep from getting wet in the rain

***under***

underneath = below

uneasy = worried [xxx unfortunate, unhappy, unhappiness]

unfortunate (unfortunately) = unhappy, unlucky; something bad happened [xxx unhappy, unhappiness]

unhappiness = sadness [xxx unhappy, unfortunate, uneasy]

unhappy = sad [xxx unhappiness]

unicorn (unicorns) = like a horse with a sharp horn on the forehead

unicycle (unicycles) = like a bicycle but with only one wheel

uniforms (uniform) = clothes worn by many people that look just the same

***up***

***upon***

upper = higher [xxx upset, upside]

upset (upsets, upsetting) = to make something fall over; or make someone unhappy [xxx upper, upside]

upside = the top; ‘upside down’ means the top is at the bottom, and the bottom on top [xxx upset]

***us***

***use*** or ***use*** (use, used, using) {pronounce twice, once with ‘usss’ and once with ‘uzzzzz’}

useless = no good, not good for anything

usual = normal or common or ordinary [xxx usually]

usually = most of the time [xxx usual]

vain (vainer, vainest) = people who think they are better than others; or can mean ‘worthless’

van (vans) = a vehicle like a small bus [xxx vehicles, wagons]

vegetables (vegetable) = foods like carrots and peas and beans

vehicles (vehicle) = things on wheels like cars, trucks, busses [xxx van, wagons]

velvet = a soft, smooth cloth

***very***

village (villages) = a very small town [xxx villagers]

villagers = people who live in a very small town [xxx village]

voice (voices) = the sound when someone speaks

volcano (volcanos, volcanoes) = a mountain with fire inside that sometimes explodes

wad (wads, wadded) = tight like paper or gum all pushed together

waddle (waddles, waddled, waddling) = step moving a little sideways like a duck

wagons (wagon) = small ones are toys, larger ones like train cars carry heavy things [xxx vehicles, van]

wait (waits, waited, waiting) = stay till something happens

wake (wakes, waked, woke, waking) = to stop sleeping

***walk*** (walks, walked, walking)

wall (walls) = a side of a room; in a yard mostly a long stack of bricks or stones

wander (wanders, wandered, wandering) = to go away just anywhere, no place special

***want*** (wants, wanted, wanting)

warm = less than hot (warmer, warmest)

***was***

***wash*** (washes, washed, washing)

wasn’t = was not

*watch* (watches, watched, watching)

water = wet stuff you can see through and can drink when it’s clean [xxx water-ditch, water-cans]

water-ditch = a low place with water inside, usually beside a road, sometimes outside a castle [xxx water, water-cans]

water-cans = used to carry and pour water to help plants grow [xxx water, water-ditch]

wave = to move hands or something else in the air (waved, waving) [xxx waves]

waves = moves something in the air; or the curvy, splashy parts of water that move up and down [xxx wave]

***way***

***we***

we’ll = we will

weak (weaker, weakest) = not strong

wealth (wealthy) = having lots of money

weapon (weapons)= a tool to fight someone, like a knife or sword or spear

wear (wears, wore, wearing) = to have on someone, like clothes

wee = small, tiny

weep (weeps, wept, weeping) = cry

weird = odd and unusual, sometimes creepy

***well***

***went***

***were***

wet (wetter, wettest) = having lots of water [xxx water]

***what***

whatever = anything; sometimes means ‘I don’t care.’

wheat = a tall grass that grows seeds people use to make bread

wheel (wheels) = round things, like what bicycles and cars roll on [xxx wheelbarrow]

wheelbarrow = a kind of box with three wheels to move things around [xxx wheel]

**when**

whenever = at any time

***where***

wheu-eu-eu = a pretend sound a train whistle might make [xxx whistle, whoop]

***which***

while = at the same time as

whip (whips, whipped, whipping) = to spank; or a long cord to hit horses to make them go

whirl (whirls, whirled, whirling) = go around in circles

whisper (whispers, whispered, whispering) = to say in a very soft, quiet voice

whisk (whisks, whisked, whisking) = to move something quickly, especially something small and light [xxx whiskers, wipe]

whiskers = long face hairs [xxx whisk]

whistle (whistles, whistled, whistling) = to make a bird like sound; or something to blow loud [xxx whoop, wheu-eu-eu, wind]

white (whiter, whitest) = the color of snow, most clouds, and your teeth (if they’re clean)

***who*** (whom)

whole = all of something

whoop (whoops, whooped, whooping) = to make a loud happy sound [xxx whistle, wheu-eu-eu]

***why***

wicked (wickedly) = very bad behavior, doing bad things

wide (wider, widest) = big from one end to another

wife (wives) = a woman married to someone

wiggle (wiggles, wiggled, wiggling) = to make little jerky moves [xxx wriggle]

***will***

willing = say ok to something, agree

win (wins, won, winning) = to do the best when competing or trying something with others

wind (windy) = when the air blows hard [xxx whistle, whoop]

***window***

wink (winks, winked, winking) = to quickly close and open an eye

wipe (wipes, wiped, wiping) = to move something across, usually to make something dry [xxx whisk]

wise (wiser, wisest) = very smart, knowing many things [xxx wisely]

wisely = in a very smart way [xxx wise]

***wish*** (wishes, wished, wishing)

witch (witches) = a pretend mean old woman who does bad magic

***with***

without = not to have

woke = stopped sleeping

wolf (wolves) = a wild animal that looks like a big, mean dog

woman = a grown-up girl [xxx women]

women = more than one woman [xxx woman]

won’t = will not

wonder (wonders, wondered, wondering) = to think about something that might be [xxx wonderful, wonderfully]

wonderful (wonderfulest) = very good, excellent, terrific, awesome, fabulous, brilliant [xxx wonder, wonderfully]

wonderfully = do really well, very much in a very good way [xxx wonder, wonderful]

***wood***

wooden = made of wood [xxx woods]

woods = a place with many trees [xxx wooden]

wool (wooly) = the fluffy hair from sheep fur

word (words) = a sound that means something, that we read or speak with

***work*** (works, worked, working)

world (worlds) = everything under the sky

worry (worries, worried, worrying) = to feel bothered or annoyed or troubled

***would***

wouldn’t = would not

wow (wowie-wow, wowee-wowishous-wow, wowee-wowishously-wow-wow) = said when people are surprised or very happy

wrap (wraps, wrapped, wrapping) = to put around the outside of something

wriggle (wriggles, wriggled, wriggling) = to move like a worm, in little jerky movements [xxx wiggle]

***write*** (writes, wrote, writing, written)

wrong = not right, incorrect, mistaken

yarn (yarns) = long string made of wool

yawn (yawns, yawned, yawning) = to open the mouth wide, usually when feeling sleepy

year (years) = a long time, the time between two birthdays

yell (yells, yelled, yelling) = say in a very loud voice, to shout

yellow (yellower, yellowest) = the color of ripe bananas

***yes***

yesterday = the day before today [xxx yet]

yet = still, till now [xxx yesterday]

***you***

you’re = you are [xxx yourself]

young (younger, youngest) = not old

***your***

yourself = you [xxx you’re]

yucky = icky, not nice, unpleasant

zoo = a place to come visit many kinds of animals [for quiz, lacking other words beginning with z, use for incorrect options: graze, lazy, puzzle, realize, size, sneeze, squeeze)