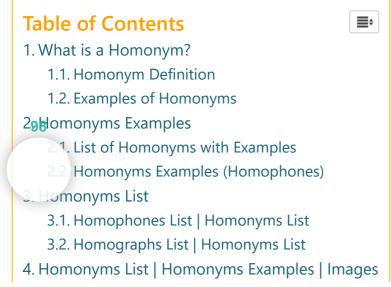


# Homonym: Extensive List of 300+ Homonyms with Examples

If you're looking to discover a complete list of homonyms in English, you've come to the right place. Here you will find interesting homonym definitions and a comprehensive list of homonyms in English with example sentences and ESL printable worksheets.



# What is a Homonym?

## **Homonym Definition**

In English, a homonym is a word that sounds the same as another word but differs in meaning.

Homonyms can refer to both homophones and homographs.

- A **homophone** is a word that is pronounced the same as another word but differs in meaning and is spelled differently.
- **Homographs** are words with the same spelling but having more than one meaning.

The description of a homonym covers that of both a homograph *and* a homophone. For example, 'bear', 'tear' and 'lead' are all homographs, but they also satisfy the criteria of a homonym. They simply need to look *or* sound the same. Likewise, while 'sell', 'cell', 'by', and 'buy' are all homophones, they are also homonyms.

## **Examples of Homonyms**

Words that sound the same but have different meaning and are spelled differently (homophones)

- Weak Week
- Sun Son
- See Sea
- Plane Plain
- Meet Meat

Words that sound the same but have different meaning and are spelled the same (homographs)

- Address Address
- 98 Band Band
  - 8at Bat
  - Match Match
  - Mean Mean
  - Right Right
  - Ring Ring







**Brake** 

He stopped with a squeal of the brakes.

**Buy** 



I want to buy a new coat.

By

The telephone is by the window.

<u>Cite</u>



He was cited for bravery.

<u>Site</u>

A site has been chosen for the new school.

**Cellar** 



We don't use our coal cellar anymore.

<u>Seller</u>



She is a flower seller.

<u>Cereal</u>



Tom is eating cereal.

<u>Serial</u>



He is a serial killer.

<u>Coarse</u>



The coarse sand was hot.

<u>Course</u>



Andy's doing a one-year journalism course.



# **Homonyms Examples**

## **List of Homonyms with Examples**

Learn a huge list of homonyms in English with example sentences.

### Address - Address

- I can give you the **address** of a good attorney.
- That letter was **addressed** to me.

#### Band - Band

- The **band** was playing old Beatles songs.
- She always ties her hair back in a **band**.
- Many insects are **banded** black and yellow.

#### Bat - Bat

- I am afraid of **bats**.
- It's his first time at **bat** in the major leagues.

## Match - Match

- If you suspect a gas leak do not strike a **match** or use electricity.
- Her fingerprints **match** those found at the scene of the crime.

## Mean - Mean

- What does this sentence mean?
- He needed to find a mean between frankness and rudeness.

## 98 Right – Right

- I'm sure I'm **right**.
- Take a **right** turn at the intersection.

## Ring - Ring

- What a beautiful **ring**!
- The children sat on the floor in a **ring**.

#### Rock - Rock

- Komuro formed a **rock** band with some friends while in college.
- To build the tunnel, they had to cut through 500 feet of solid **rock**.

#### Rose - Rose

- She has a **rose** garden.
- Sales **rose** by 20% over the Christmas period.

## **Spring – Spring**

- I'm sorry to **spring** it on you, but I've been offered another job.
- He was born in the **spring** of 1944.

#### Stalk - Stalk

- He ate the apple, **stalk** and all.
- Snatching up my bag, I **stalk** out of the room.

## Well - Well

- The conference was very well organized.
- The dog fell down a well.

## Clip - Clip

- They are **clips** from the new James Bond film.
- The wire is held on with a metal clip.

### Date - Date

The **date** on the letter was 30th August 1962. She and Ron go to the park to **date**.

## Drop - Drop

• The apples are beginning to **drop** from the trees.

• A single **drop** of blood splashed onto the floor.

## Fly - Fly

- A **fly** was buzzing against the window.
- Let's **fly** a kite.

#### Letter - Letter

- There's a **letter** for you.
- "B" is the second **letter** of the alphabet.

## Palm - Palm

- He held the bird gently in the **palm** of his hand.
- The coconut **palm** is a native of Malaysia.

## Park - Park

- We went for a walk in the **park**.
- The tennis court is sometimes used as a car **park**.

## Point - Point

- He's just saying that to prove a **point**.
- Everything seemed to **point** in one direction.

## Ruler - Ruler

- I have a 12 inch ruler.
- King Priam was a firm, but just **ruler**.

## Saw - Saw

- Saw is a tool that has a long blade with sharp points along one of its edges.
- Last night, I saw a lovely girl.

## Scale – Scale

- They entertain on a large scale.
- He somehow managed to **scale** the sheer outside wall of the tower.

## Ship - Ship

- There are two restaurants on board **ship**.
- A new engine was **ship**ped over from the US.

#### Sink - Sink

- The ships **sink** to the bottom of the sea.
- I felt chained to the kitchen **sink**.

#### Tie - Tie

- He had to **tie** her hands together.
- I wear a shirt and **tie** at work.

## Trip - Trip

- We went on a **trip** to the mountains.
- Someone will **trip** over that cable.

#### Wave - Wave

- Huge waves were breaking on the shore.
- The people on the bus waved and we waved back.

## Cool - Cool

- She swam out into the **cool** water.
- When tempers had **cooled**, he apologized.

#### **Duck - Duck**

- Every afternoon they went to the park to feed the **duck**.
- He had to **duck** as he came through the door.

## Fa<sup>¶</sup><sup>8</sup> Fall

- September had come and the leaves were starting to fall.
- The area is beautiful in the fall.

### File - File

- Every **file** on the same disk must have a different name.
- We began to **file** out into the car park.

#### Foot - Foot

- My foot hurts.
- Once again it will be the taxpayer who has to foot the bill.

## Left - Left

- Look left and right before you cross the road.
- The plane **left** for Dallas last night.

## Nail - Nail

- The key was hanging on a **nail** by the door.
- I've broken my nail.

#### Watch - Watch

- I like watching TV every night.
- I glanced at my watch.

#### Can - Can

- Gabriella can speak French fluently.
- We drank a can of Coke each.

## **Homonyms Examples (Homophones)**

Homonyms can refer to homophones (words that are pronounced the same as other words but differ in meaning and are spelled differently).

## Fort - Fought

- Just the three of you going to be holding the **fort** tonight.
  - He **fought** many battles with the early Labor party in Lancaster and discrimination against socialist employees was alleged.

## Foul - Fowl

- He woke up with a **foul** taste in his mouth.
- Fish, **fowl** and meat, most with a decidedly Southwestern treatment, are represented on the menu.

## **Groan - Grown**

- Richard's jokes make you **groan** rather than laugh.
- He had been a **grown** man with a small but independent income when he had taken Minnie instead of her to wife.

## Holy - Wholly

- The priest puts some **holy** water on the child's head.
- The report claimed that the disaster was wholly unavoidable.

## Hour - Our

- The interview lasted half an hour.
- We showed them some of **our** photos.

## I – Eye

- I moved to this city six years ago.
- Ow! I've got something in my eye!

#### Know - No

- I **know** people's handwriting changes as they get older. "It was Tony."
- "'No, you're wrong. It was Ted."

## Links - Lynx

- A love of nature links the two poets.
- They may be eagle-eyed or watch like a lynx.

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## Mail – Male

- He found a mountain of mail waiting for him.
- Many women earn less than their **male** colleagues.

## Meet - Meat

- Maybe we'll **meet** again some time.
- I gave up eating **meat** a few months ago.

## Peace - Piece

- I wish she would just leave me in **peace**.
- He broke off a **piece** of bread and gave it her.

## Right - Write

- Keep on the **right** side of the road.
- She had to write a report on the project.

## Scene - Seen

- The police soon arrived at the **scene** of the crime.
- He crouched down so he couldn't be **seen**.

## Than - Then

- Natalie was prettier **than** her sister.
- I wish I had known **then** what I know now.

## Weak - Week

- She is still weak after her illness.
- He comes to see us once a week.

# **Homonyms List**

Homonyms can refer to both homographs and homophones.

# **Homophones List | Homonyms List**

List of homonyms in English.

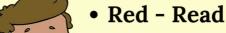
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- Ail Ale
- Air Heir

- All Awl
- Allowed Aloud
- Alms Arms

## **Homonyms List Image**

# HOMOPHONES IN ENGLISH

- Hi High
- Hole Whole
- Hour Our
- I Eye
- Idle Idol
- Knead Need
- Knew New
- Knight Night
- Knot Not
- Know No
- Leak Leek
- Lessen Lesson
- Made Maid
- Mail Male
- Mask Masque
- Meet Meat
- Muscle Mussel
- Pair Pear
- Peace Piece
- Peak Peek
- Plane Plain



- Right Write
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- Soar Sore
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- Some Sum
- Sort Sought
- Stare Stair
- Steal Steel
- Sun Son
- Tail Tale
- Too Two
- Waste Waist
- Weak Week
- Weather Whether
- Where Wear
- Which Witch
- Won One
- You're Your



- Altar Alter
- Ant Aunt
- Arc Ark

- Ate Eight
- Auger Augur
- Aural Oral
- Baize Bays
- Bald Bawled
- Ball Bawl
- Band Banned
- Bard Barred
- Bare Bear
- Baron Barren
- Be Bee
- Beach Beech
- Bean Been
- Beer Bier
- Berry Bury
- Berth Birth
- Billed Build
- Blue Blew
- Bored Board
- Braid Brayed
- Break Brake
- Brews Bruise
- Bridal Bridle
- Broach Brooch
- Buy By/ Bye
- Capital Capitol
- Cellar Seller
- Census Sense
- Cereal Serial
- Chili Chilly
- Choral Coral
- Cite Sight / Site
- Coarse Course
- Complement Compliment
- Coun Counsel
- 98 Deer Dear
  - Die Dye
  - Discreet Discrete
  - Doe Dough
  - Done Dun
  - Draft Draught

- Dual Duel
- Earn Urn
- Ewe You
- Farther Father
- Faze Phase
- File Phial
- Find Fined
- Fir Fur
- Flaw Floor
- Flea Flee
- Flew Flu/ Flue
- Flex Flecks
- Flour Flower
- For Four
- Foreword Forward
- Fort Fought
- Foul Fowl
- Gait Gate
- Gamble Gambol
- Genes Jeans
- Gored Gourd
- Great Grate
- Groan Grown
- Hart Heart
- Hear Here
- Heel Heal
- Hi High
- Him Hymn
- Hoard Horde
- Hole Whole
- Holy Wholly
- Hour Our
- I − Eye
- Idle Idol
- Incite Insight
- 98 Knead Need
  - Knew New
  - Knight Night
  - Knot Not
  - Know No
  - Leak Leek

- Lessen Lesson
- Levee Levy
- Links Lynx
- Loan Lone
- Loot Lute
- Made Maid
- Mail Male
- Main Mane
- Manna Manner
- Marshal Martial
- Mask Masque
- Maw More
- Medal Meddle
- Meet Meat
- Might Mite
- Mist Missed
- Moose Mousse
- Muscle Mussel
- None Nun
- Oar Or
- Overdo Overdue
- Pail Pale
- Pain Pane
- Pair Pear
- Passed Past
- Peace Piece
- Peak Peek
- Pedal Peddle
- Plane Plain
- Principal Principle
- Profit Prophet
- Rain Reign
- Red Read
- Right Write
- Ring Wring
- 98 Rode Road
  - Role Roll
  - Rouse Rows
  - Rung Wrung
  - Sail Sale
  - Sauce Seen

- Scull Skull
- See Sea
- Shoe Shoo
- Side Sighed
- Slay Sleigh
- Soar Sore
- Sole Soul
- Some Sum
- Sort Sought
- Staid Stayed
- Stalk Stork
- Stare Stair
- Stationary Stationery
- Steal Steel
- Stile Style
- Sun Son
- Tail Tale
- Team Teem
- Than Then
- Their There
- Throne Thrown
- Tide Tied
- To Too / Two
- Toe Tow
- Vain Vein
- Vary Very
- Wail Whale
- Waste Waist
- Way Weigh
- Weak Week
- Weather Whether
- Where Wear
- Which Witch
- Who's Whose
- Won One
- 98 Would Wood
  - You'r Your

# **Homographs List | Homonyms List**

List of homonyms in English.

- Address Address
- Band Band
- Bat Bat
- Match Match
- Mean Mean
- Right Right
- Ring Ring
- Rock Rock
- Rose Rose
- Spring Spring
- Stalk Stalk
- Well Well
- Clip Clip
- Date Date.
- Drop Drop
- Fly Fly
- Letter Letter
- Palm Palm
- Park Park
- Point Point
- Ruler Ruler
- Saw Saw
- Scale Scale
- Ship Ship
- Sink Sink
- Tie Tie
- Trip Trip
- Wave Wave
- Cool Cool
- Duck Duck
- Fall Fall
- File File
- Foot Foot
- Left Left
- Nail Nail
- 98 Watch Watch
  - Can Can

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# HOMONYMS IN ENGLISH

- Address
- Quarry
- Band
- Bat
- Match
- Mean
- Right
- Ring
- Rock
- Rose
- Spring
- Stalk
- Well
- Clip
- Date
- Drop

- Fly
- Letter
- Palm
- Park
- Point
- Ruler
- Saw
- Scale
- Ship
- Sink
- Tie
- Trip
- Wave
- Cool

- Duck
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- Arm
- Bark
- Kind
- Lie
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- Tire

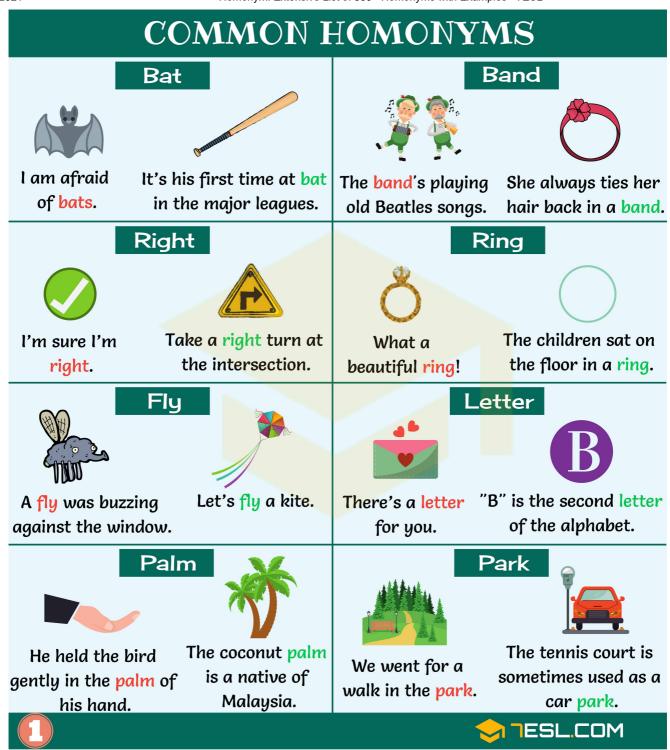
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- Jam
- Drink
- Note
- Glasses
- Orange
- Blue
- Remote
- Iron
- Light
- Seal





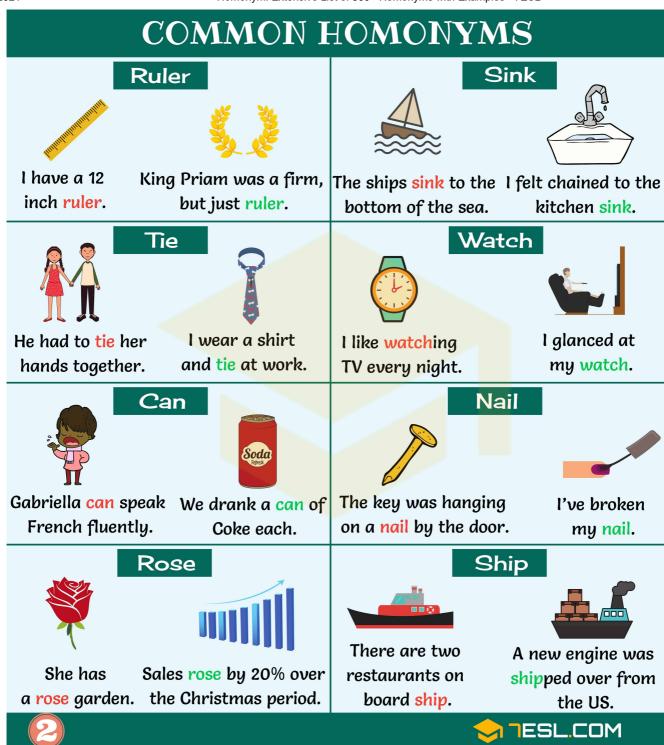
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Reply to YEET

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Reply to YEET

Who is YEET



\*yaiet\* ① 1 year ago

the children sat in the ring, sacrificing goats to the demon king





hehe © 7 months ago

Reply to \*yaiet\*







Vic © 3 months ago

Reply to \*yaiet\*

With "kids" instead of "children" and "old goats" sounds a lot funnier:)



Tyson Evans ① 1 year ago

I have to say I'm impressed by this. It's really helpful and easy to understand what you do. Thanks guys. I really appreciate it.???



Tinuade © 1 year ago

Thank you for a great job. This is really helpful. God bless you.



Jean Kapaso © 1 year ago

Yep,I would like to be one of you!



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why would you want to be one of them?



Lucian © 2 months ago

Reply to Brady

ye

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