

Oak Class Spelling Word List 7th July 2025

homophones

Revision: Homophones and near-homophones

To learn this week: Homophones and other words that are often confused

Homophones are words that will have the same sound but will be spelled differently, giving different meanings.

Near-homophones are words that are spelled similarly and similar sounds, and are often confused with each other.

Common Homophones

aisle	isle
aloud	allowed
affect	effect
altar	alter
ascent	assent
bridal	bridle
cereal	serial
compliment	complement
descent	dissent
guessed	guest
heard	herd
led	lead
morning	mourning
past	passed
principle	principal
prophet	profit
stationary	stationery
steal	steel
who's	whose

This week's words: know the meanings of each pair.

altar alter
bridal bridle
compliment complement
heard herd
led lead
past passed
farther father
guessed guest
aloud allowed
morning mourning

Top Tips for learning a spelling:

1. Test yourself – how many do you know? Look at what you got right and what you got wrong. Often, people are wrong only because of one letter.
2. Learn your spellings using scrabble tiles. Pick out the letters to make the word. Mix them up and make the word from memory.
3. Look at the way colour has been used in the examples. The colour is used to pick out the rule or the syllables: Write out your spellings using this two colour method: vegetable
4. Find words within words: vegetable
5. Learn the rule. Make sure you understand it.
6. Make your own flashcards – learn three a day.