

Homophones

8th
Grade

Read and Say

Basic

1. *chord*
2. *cord*
3. *choral*
4. *coral*
5. *cymbal*
6. *symbol*
7. *aisle*
8. *isle*
9. *ascent*
10. *assent*
11. *stationary*
12. *stationery*
13. *site*
14. *cite*
15. *canvas*
16. *canvass*
17. *phase*
18. *faze*
19. *descent*
20. *dissent*

READ the sentences. **SAY** each bold word.

- 1 Play the **chord** noted on your sheet music.
- 2 Should I tie a **cord** around the package?
- 4 Which singers performed the **choral** concert?
- 3 The divers gazed at the lovely **coral** reef.
- 10 He tapped a brass **cymbal** with his drumstick.
- 9 The flag is a **symbol** of our country.
- 12 Our theater seats are on the center **aisle**.
- 11 We sailed around an **isle** in the lake.
- 13 The balloon began its **ascent** into the sky.
- 14 Did your mom give her **assent** to a party?
- 16 A **stationary** dock is in the lake all winter.
- 15 He wrote his note on beautiful **stationery**.
- 17 The new school will be built on this **site**.
- 1 Please **cite** the books used in your report.
- 20 I need a large **canvas** for my new painting.
- 19 Can you help us **canvass** the town for votes?
- 7 The baby is entering the crawling **phase**.
- 8 Loud music did not **faze** the sleeping child.
- 6 The jet began its **descent** to the runway.
- 5 Those who did not agree voiced their **dissent**.



Spelling Strategy Remember to think about meaning when using a **homophone**, a word that sounds like another but has a different spelling and meaning.

Think and Write Write the pairs of Basic Words.

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| Review | 23. capital |
| 21. compliment | 24. capitol |
| 22. complement | |

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|------------------|-----------|
| Challenge | 27. caret |
| 25. callous | 28. carat |
| 26. callus | |
29. 30. *prose*

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Vocabulary

- sentence. U
1. In a cr dance
 2. Many summ
 3. The b.
 4. Some featur
 5. Maria
 6. The sc
 7. Music South
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Vocabulary

- Spelling Dic
12. agree
 13. lobby,
 14. disagr differ
 15. drum,
 16. rope,
 17. fish, s
 18. pen, s
 19. penins
 20. burlap

Challenge

- Word that t Dictionary.
21. You m
 22. Proofr
 23. This d
 24. This ki

Independent Practice

Vocabulary: Using Context Write the Basic Word that completes each sentence. Use your Spelling Dictionary.

1. In a concert, the singers usually remain _____, but in a musical they may dance and move around while singing.
2. Many singers perform at Tanglewood in Massachusetts, the _____ of summer concerts by the Boston Symphony.
3. The barbershop quartet sang the first _____ of "Anabel."
4. Some singing groups perform "doo-wop," a type of _____ music that features syllables like *shoo-be-doo* as well as lyrics.
5. Maria's opera company began its last _____ of rehearsal.
6. The soprano's voice made an _____ to a thrilling high note.
7. Music historians _____ traditional hymns and spirituals of the American South as the inspiration for many modern songs.
8. The noise of a passing siren did not _____ the calm singer.
9. The actress playing Peter Pan sings the opening song while riding a steel cable in a dizzying _____ to the stage.
10. The glee club will _____ the school to sell concert tickets.
11. A quarter note is a common musical _____.

Vocabulary: Classifying Write the Basic Word that fits each group. Use your Spelling Dictionary.

12. agreement, approval, consent, _____
13. lobby, stage, row, _____
14. disagreement, disapproval, difference, _____
15. drum, gong, tambourine, _____
16. rope, string, ribbon, _____
17. fish, seaweed, sand, _____
18. pen, stamp, envelope, _____
19. peninsula, mountain, plateau, _____
20. burlap, muslin, linen, _____



Challenge Words Write the Challenge Word that fits each clue. Use your Spelling Dictionary.

21. You may have one on your toe or heel.
22. Proofreaders use this often.
23. This describes a diamond's weight.
24. This kind of person needs to be softened up.

Review: Spelling Spree

Letter Math Add and subtract letters from the words below to make Basic or Review Words. Write the new words.

Example: was + century - w - ury = *ascent*

- can + vast - t + s =
- ph + base - b =
- cap + item - em + ol =
- city - y + rare - rar =
- co + implement - i =
- co + floral - flo =
- anchor + al - an =
- sta + dictionary - dic =
- astray + sen - tray + t =
- lunch - lun + order - er =
- complain - ain + im + ent =
- c + ant - t + vase - e =
- car - r + hospital - hos =
- ai + bobsled - bob - d =
- stationed - ed + very - v =
- cy + imbalance - i - ance =
- cope - pe + word - wo =

Verse Venture Write a Basic Word to complete each rhyme in this ballad.

We sail in fine style
 round the tropical (18),
 on a sightseeing trip
 in our seaworthy ship.
 The flying fish amaze us
 but soon barely (19) us,
 as they sparkle and flash,
 leap, soar, and splash!
 Next we alight
 at a dry landing (20),
 then make our (21)
 to the top of Mount Kent.

Next day we agree
 that we long for the sea,
 and soon are intent
 on a rapid (22).
 Again under sail,
 feeling hearty and hale,
 we look back and say,
 "The mountain's so far away!"
 Yes, it looks like a thimble,
 but to us it's a (23)
 of something we like
 quite enough for a hike.
 Now over the deep,
 the waves suggest sleep.
 No sound of (24);
 all on board are content.

✓ How Are You Doing?

List the spelling words that are difficult for you. Practice them with a partner.

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Proofreading and Writing

Proofread: Spelling and Commas with Appositives If an **appositive**, a noun or phrase that identifies or renames another noun, is not necessary to the meaning of a sentence, set it off with commas. Do not use commas with an appositive that is necessary to the meaning.

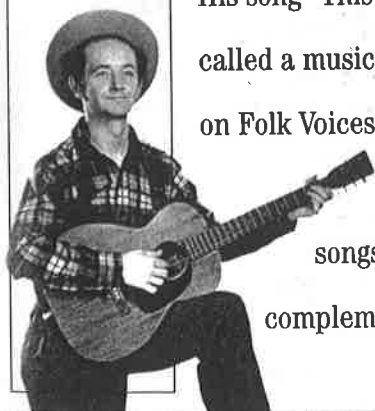
Enrico Caruso, an Italian, was a great tenor.

The pop star Luis Miguel is known mainly in Latin America and Spain.

Find five misspelled Basic or Review Words and two appositives with missing commas in these notes from a CD cover. Write the notes correctly.



Folk VOICES



Most music lovers nod in asent that Woody Guthrie a singer and composer was a folk music genius. Guthrie's music, with its simple cord structures and meaningful lyrics, clearly belongs to an important phaze in the folk music tradition. His song "This Land Is Your Land" has been called a musical symbol of America. We now issue on Folk Voices our new record label this album of chorol versions of Woody Guthrie songs. We hope you agree that it complemint's Guthrie's own recorded work.

Write a Review of a Musical You have just seen a musical based on a story you know. Was the show good or bad? How well did the actors perform their roles? Write a review of the musical. Try to use five spelling words and at least one appositive.

Basic

1. chord
2. cord
3. choral
4. coral
5. cymbal
6. symbol
7. aisle
8. isle
9. ascent
10. assent
11. stationary
12. stationery
13. site
14. cite
15. canvas
16. canvass
17. phase
18. faze
19. descent
20. dissent

Review

21. compliment
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23. capital
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Challenge

25. callous
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Proofreading Marks

- ¶ Indent
- ^ Add
- ^ Add a comma
- “ ” Add quotation marks
- ⋅ Add a period
- ⌫ Delete
- ≡ Capital letter
- / Small letter
- ↶ Reverse order

Real-World Connection

Performing Arts: Music All the words in the box relate to music. Look up these words in your Spelling Dictionary. Then write the words to complete this paragraph.

Location: Rear Orch Ctr Section: E Row: N Seat: 2 NO REFUNDS 2:00 PM

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A serious vocal student might study at a special music school, or (1). Singers in the school (2) are grouped by vocal range. The highest female part is the soprano, while the highest male part is the (3). These parts are often sung in a different (4) than the alto or (5) voice parts. A girl who wants to be a (6) must practice solos, perhaps learning an (7) from an opera each week. To relax, many students sing folk or rock songs, either (8) or to guitar or piano accompaniment.

Spelling Word Link
choral

- chorus
- tenor
- baritone
- a cappella
- octave
- diva
- aria
- conservatory

TRY THIS!

Yes or No? Write *yes* or *no* to tell whether a person or thing is needed for the activity.

9. a piano to perform a cappella
10. notes to form an octave
11. a singer to perform an aria
12. a group to form a chorus

Fact File

Marian Anderson began her singing career in the church choir and went on to become one of the greatest concert artists of our time. She first became well known in Europe. Then, in 1955, she became the first African American ever to perform with the Metropolitan Opera.



Unit 5
BONUS

Expanding Vocabulary

Spelling
Word Link
symbol

Synonyms Synonyms are words that have the same or nearly the same meaning.

symbol = sign rhythm = beat

Write the word in parentheses that is a synonym for each numbered word. Use your Thesaurus.

1. stationary (fixed, lifeless)
2. site (region, place)
3. assent (eagerness, agreement)
4. phase (season, mood)



Now read the following sentences. Review the Thesaurus entry for each underlined word. From the subentries for that word, choose the synonym that best fits in the sentence. Do not reuse any of your answers from items 1–4. Write the subentries that replace the underlined words.

5. Last year, our City Council gave its assent to building a new Symphony Hall.
6. Construction of the building at its beautiful, hilltop site is well underway.
7. Even at this phase of the building's development, hints of its grand design are visible.
8. Also, if you stand quite stationary, you can almost hear the strains of a lovely concerto coming from the hall.

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Fact F

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