

The Phlying Nus

“Homophones are phun!”



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Artist's conception of a gnu at wrest.
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OMNES VOLUCRES
NON SUNT
AVES!

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HOMOPHONES IN EVERY DAY USE.

ATE /EIGHT, BITE/BIGHT, CALL/CAWL,
DOLL/DRAWL,EYE/AYE, GATE/GAIT,
HAY/HEY, I'LL/AISLE, JIM/GYM,
MIGHT/MITE,NAY/NEIGH, OWED/ODE,
PEACE/PIECE,QATAR/CATARRH, ROLL/ROLE,
SEW/SOW/SO, TEA/TEE, USE/YOUSE,
VALE/VEIL,WAIL/WHALE,X/EX,ZONE/ZOON

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PHINDING HOMOPHONES PHOR THE
PHOLLOWING:

- 1.ARBITRARY, 2.CAUTIONS,
- 3.SENTIMENTAL,4. PHLEGMATIC

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DON'T BE A MENTAL MIDGET! BE A MENTAL GIANT with these mind stretching exercises.

The problem with most students is that they fail to stretch their mental muscles before a test or quiz. As a result they often suffer a mental lapse before they finish a test. Use these easy exercises regularly and you will avoid this common failure.

1. Count from one thousand backwards, skipping every prime number.
2. Think of three linked and meaningful sentences that do not use the letter "e".
3. Find a formula for determining the number of standard English words that may be made out of the first word you can think of. E.g "peanut" "Peanut" has thirty-seven words that can be made from its letters $(V+3)(C+3)+1=37$, where V= the number of vowels, C= the number of consonants and 1 is PhPh (PHUDGEPHACTOR) Find that number of words.
4. Think of the sound of one hand clapping. Multiply it by the number of people you know on a first name basis. What in your everyday experience makes the same level of noise?
5. Read the FLYING NEWS and try to find something remotely funny.

INTERVIEWS WITH THE MAN ON THE STREET

TPN: Why?

MIT: Because.

TPN: Do you walk to school or carry your lunch?

MIT: Whatever.

TPN: Is it warm enough for an umbrella?

MIT: Sometimes.

TPN: What is the chief problem facing Mankind today?

MIT: Lacrosse players.

TPN: Why are they called players?

MIT: Because its all an act. Lacrosse makes people think they have a life.

TPN: Is that all?

MIT: Yup.

TPN: What's the solution?

MIT: Reality.

TPN: Are you alienated?

MIT: No. Do I look alienated?

TPN: Well, you bleach your hair and wear Abercrombie and Fitch clothing.

MIT: Well, I guess I am.

TPN: Do you think it's just a phase?

MIT: I hope so for my parents' sake.

ADVICE COLUMN:

Dear TPN:

I have a hard time finding a date for my prom since I go to an all-boys school. What do you suggest.

DESPERATE

Dear DESPERATE:

First check to see if you are showering and brushing your teeth regularly. Then you should try to hang out with your more outgoing classmates. They will usually have connections in the female world that you can tap into. Many people in your situation are tempted to take up lacrosse, but this is a dead end. The surest way is to join some theatrical production at some nearby girls' school. This never fails in the experience of TPS although you may regret it later. If you think The Flying News is funny, then you probably really are a desperate case and you should seek professional help.

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