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The Three H's

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Homophones are sometimes confused with homonyms and homographs. Use this chart to help you keep the three H's straight.

	SPELLING	PRONUNCIATION	EXAMPLES
A pair of homonyms have the same:	X	X	bark (tree skin/dog sound)
A pair of homographs have the same:	X		dove (kind of bird/dropped down)
A pair of homophones have the same:		X	air/heir, patients/patience

Directions: Now that you know all about homonyms, homophones, and homographs, put your skills to the test. In the following story, circle the correct homophone. ***BONUS CHALLENGE:** Underline the 13 homonyms, and put stars next to the 2 homographs.

1. I woke up this **morning/mourning** with a serious problem.
2. "What **ales/ails** you, **son/sun**?" asked my mom over breakfast. "**You/ewe** don't look **write/right**!"
3. "**Eye/I** didn't sleep because of **you're/your** horrible dog," I said before taking a **bite/byte** of cereal.
4. "That dog loves **to/too** bark," my sister Lucy said.
5. "**Your/yore** powers of perception are truly strong," I said sarcastically.
6. "Don't make the **rest/wrest** of us suffer just because you had a **ruff/rough knight/night**," mom chastized. "Everyone loves Wiley **except/accept** you."
7. "I'm sorry," I said. "I'm worried about today's English test; there's **know/no weigh/way** I can **do/due** a good job on such little sleep!"
8. After **we/wee ate/eight**, I packed my bag **for/four** school, brushed my teeth, and ran out so fast I almost forgot to close the door.
9. First period is English, **so/sew** I felt relieved to take the test at the start of the day.
10. **But/butt** when I sat at my desk, my stomach began **to/two** churn. I could **here/hear** the wind blowing outside ominously.
11. I desperately **kneaded/needed** an A because I'm competing with my arch-rival Zachary **for/fore** valedictorian.
12. After Mr. Robinson **passed/past** out the tests, I took a deep breath and prepared for what I was sure **would/wood be/bee** a **whole/hole** ordeal.
13. To my total delight, I **knew/new** every answer; **our/are** teacher **taught/taut** us well!

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