

# Homophones and Commonly Confused Words

ACADEMIC VOCABULARY

**homophones:** words that sound alike but have different meanings and spellings

**commonly confused words:** words that are often mistaken for each other because they are so similar in sound, meaning, or spelling

HERE’S HOW

Learn these homophones and commonly confused words.

accept	to agree to something or to receive something willingly
except	Keep or leave out; but
already	before or by this time
all ready	Fully ready
capital	Chief, important; the official seat of government
capitol	the building where a state or national legislature meets
hear	to listen to
here	in this place
it’s	the contraction for <i>it is</i> or <i>it has</i>
its	belonging to it
loose	free; not tight
lose	to mislay or suffer the loss of something
peace	Calm; stillness; absence of disagreement
piece	a portion or part of
principal	first or most important; the head of a school
principle	a rule, truth, or belief

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STUDENT LESSON SUMMARY, CONTINUED

<b>quiet</b>	free from noise and disturbance
<b>quite</b>	Truly; almost completely
<b>weather</b>	State of the atmosphere-the wind, temperature, etc.
<b>whether</b>	if it is true or probable; either; in either case
<b>who's</b>	the contraction for <i>who is</i> or <i>who has</i>
<b>whose</b>	the possessive form of <i>who</i>
<b>you're</b>	the contraction for <i>you are</i>
<b>your</b>	the possessive form of <i>you</i>