GRAMMAR

Commonly confused words

Name _____ Date _____

I can choose the right word: to, too or two; there, their or they're.

1 The rule

Some words sound the same but have different spellings and meanings. Read the whole sentence to choose the right one.

They're taking **their** dog over **there**.

2 Look and say



to
go to school



too
me too!



two
two cats



there
over there



their
their bags



they're
they are playing



your
your hat

you're
you are a star

How did I do? ☆ ☆ ☆

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Sort the words

Name _____ Date _____

Does the word show who owns something, or is it two words joined? Sort it.

1 Word bank

it's | whose | who's | you're | its | your | they're | their

shows who owns it	two words joined

How did I do? ☆ ☆ ☆

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Find it in a sentence

Name _____ Date _____

Read each sentence. Circle the word that sounds like another word.

1. We went to the park.
2. I want to come too.
3. I have two brothers.
4. Put the box over there.
5. The kids lost their ball.
6. They're late for class.
7. Is this your coat?
8. You're my best friend.

How did I do? ☆ ☆ ☆

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Write it

Name _____ Date _____

Choose the right word in ( ) and write it.

1. (to, two) I have _____ cats.

2. (their, there) Sit over _____ .

3. (your, you're) _____ very kind.

4. (too, to) This soup is _____ hot.

5. (they're, their) _____ dog is big.

6. (its, it's) _____ raining.

How did I do? ☆ ☆ ☆

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FOR TEACHERS AND PARENTS

Answer key: commonly confused words

1 Sort the words

shows who owns it: their, your, its, whose

two words joined: they're, you're, it's, who's

2 Find it in a sentence

1. to 2. too 3. two 4. there 5. their 6. They're 7. your 8. You're

3 Write it

1. two 2. there 3. You're 4. too 5. Their 6. It's

4 Teaching tip

Give each word a memory hook: there has here inside it (a place); their is for people who own something; they're has an apostrophe because a letter is missing (they are). Then read the long form aloud to check: if "they are" fits, write they're.

Watch for: Using there for every sound-alike, as in "there dog." Ask, "Does it show who owns it, or a place?"

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