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# CREST English Olympiad (CEO) Worksheet *for*

Class 10



Topic

Homophones



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# Worksheet on Homophones

## 1. Identify the sentences with the wrong usage of the words:

- I. The **weather** forecast predicted rain and thunderstorms for the weekend.
  - II. I'm unsure **whether** she will attend the meeting, as her schedule is quite busy.
- a. only II
  - b. only I
  - c. both I and II are incorrect
  - d. both I and II are correct

## 2. Identify the sentences with the wrong usage of the words:

- I. Jean was doing the dishes that were kept in the **sink** when the water got clogged up.
  - II. Jane **sink** the candy hoping to get sweet-coloured water in the jug.
- a. only I
  - b. only II
  - c. both I and II are incorrect
  - d. both I and II are correct

## 3. Identify the sentences with the wrong usage of the words:

- I. He walked in a **straight** line, not deviating from the path.
  - II. The ship navigated through the narrow **strait**, carefully manoeuvring through the confined waterway.
- a. only I
  - b. only II
  - c. both I and II are incorrect
  - d. both I and II are correct

## 4. Identify the sentences with the wrong usage of the words:

- I. The new smartphone boasted a **dual**-camera system, enhancing the quality of photographs.
  - II. In the historical novel, two characters engage in a fierce **duel** to settle their longstanding rivalry.
- a. only I
  - b. only II
  - c. both I and II are incorrect
  - d. both I and II are correct

**5. Identify the sentences with the wrong usage of the words:**

- I. She made an important **point** during the discussion, highlighting a crucial aspect of the project.
  - II. Please **point** to the location on the map where the meeting will take place.
- a. only I
  - b. only II
  - c. both I and II are incorrect
  - d. both I and II are correct

**6. Identify the sentences with the wrong usage of the words:**

- I. A **pride** of lions walked majestically through the jungle as if they owned the land.
  - II. She took great **pride** in her ancestors.
- a. only II
  - b. only I
  - c. both I and II are incorrect
  - d. both I and II are correct

**7. Identify the sentences with the wrong usage of the words:**

- I. Finally, the **serial** killer has been nabbed by the police.
  - II. James is tired of eating **serials** at breakfast and wants some change.
- a. only II
  - b. only I
  - c. both I and II are incorrect
  - d. both I and II are correct

**8. Identify the sentences with the wrong usage of the words:**

- I. Amanda wanted to recycle the empty aluminium **can** of baked beans.
  - II. Brian **can** swim for two hours in a go.
- a. only II
  - b. only I
  - c. both I and II are incorrect
  - d. both I and II are correct

**9. Identify the sentences with the wrong usage of the words:**

- I. The author's writing style is **allusive**, often referring to historical events to convey deeper meanings in the narrative.
  - II. The **elusive** butterfly danced among the flowers, making it challenging for the photographer to capture its beauty.
- a. only II
  - b. only I
  - c. both I and II are incorrect
  - d. both I and II are correct

**10. Identify the sentences with the wrong usage of the words:**

- I. She handled the sensitive information with **discrete** care, ensuring it remained confidential.
  - II. In mathematics, a **discrete** set consists of distinct, separate elements with no points in between.
- a. only II
  - b. only I
  - c. both I and II are incorrect
  - d. both I and II are correct

**11. Choose the correct set of options:**

- I. The bomb squad successfully \_\_\_\_\_ the explosive device, averting a potential disaster.
  - II. The sunlight \_\_\_\_\_ through the sheer curtains, casting a warm glow in my room.
- a. diffused, diffused
  - b. defused, defused
  - c. defused, diffused
  - d. diffused, defused

**12. Choose the correct set of options:**

- I. Jack took a \_\_\_\_\_ back to assess the situation before taking another step forward.
  - II. The vast \_\_\_\_\_ stretched endlessly, with nothing but grasslands as far as the eye could see.
- a. steppe, step
  - b. step, steppe
  - c. step, step
  - d. steppe, steppe

**13. Choose the correct set of options:**

- I. The ship had to navigate through the narrow \_\_\_\_\_ between the two landmasses.
- II. Danny walked in a \_\_\_\_\_ line towards the finish line in a marathon.

- a. strait, straight
- b. straight, straight
- c. strait, strait
- d. straight, strait

**14. Choose the correct set of options:**

- I. It seemed like \_\_\_\_\_ had intervened when they met again after years of separation.
- II. The grand \_\_\_\_\_ in the town square featured music, dance, and food from different cultures.

- a. fete, fate
- b. fete, fete
- c. fate, fate
- d. fate, fete

**15. Choose the correct set of options:**

- I. The scientist discovered a new \_\_\_\_\_ responsible for the inherited trait.
- II. Scarlet decided to wear her favourite pair of \_\_\_\_\_ to the casual outing with friends.

- a. gene, jean
- b. jean, jean
- c. jean, gene
- d. gene, gene

**16. Choose the correct set of options:**

- I. The mountaineers began their \_\_\_\_\_ from the peak as the Sun started to set.
- II. There was a sharp \_\_\_\_\_ among the committee members regarding the proposed budget cuts.

- a. dissent, descent
- b. descent, descent
- c. dissent, dissent
- d. descent, dissent

**17. Choose the correct set of options:**

- I. Joe hid the treasure in a secret \_\_\_\_\_ deep within the forest.
  - II. Before heading to the store, don't forget to withdraw some \_\_\_\_\_ from the ATM.
- a. cash, cache
  - b. cache, cash
  - c. cash, cash
  - d. cache, cache

**18. Choose the correct set of options:**

- I. With a \_\_\_\_\_ of the mouse, he was able to order the book online.
  - II. The high school had a \_\_\_\_\_ of popular students who often excluded others.
- a. clique, click
  - b. click, click
  - c. clique, clique
  - d. click, clique

**19. Choose the correct set of options:**

- I. The ancient \_\_\_\_\_ discovered in the archaeological site was carefully excavated and studied by the experts.
  - II. He worked hard to \_\_\_\_\_ a promotion at his job, demonstrating dedication and commitment to his career.
- a. earn, urn
  - b. urn, urn
  - c. urn, earn
  - d. earn, earn

**20. Choose the correct set of options:**

- I. Please switch the printer to the colour \_\_\_\_\_ before printing the document.
  - II. The farmer \_\_\_\_\_ the field with his tractor to prepare it for planting.
- a. mowed, mode
  - b. mode, mowed
  - c. mowed, mowed
  - d. mode, mode

## Answer Key

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1. d  | 2. a  | 3. d  | 4. d  | 5. d  | 6. d  | 7. b  |
| 8. d  | 9. d  | 10. a | 11. c | 12. b | 13. a | 14. d |
| 15. a | 16. d | 17. b | 18. d | 19. c | 20. b |       |



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