

Homophone Riddles

All of the answers to the riddles below contain homophone pairs. Assign your students some homophone pairs and see what riddles they can come up with.

Q. What did the dog say to the insect that bit him?

A. Flee, flea!

Q. What do you call a huge pile of money?

A. A cash cache.

Q. What do you call a rough path?

A. A coarse course.

Q. What's an untied string?

A. Not a knot!

Q. What do you call a gathering of butchers?

A. A meat meet.

Q. What do you call a discounted boat ride?

A. A sail sale.

Q. What do you call two pears?

A. A pear pair.

Q. Who did Uncle Bug marry?

A. Aunt Ant.

Q. What do you call a scary bear?

A. A grisly grizzly.

Q. Why did the cowboy give cough medicine to his steed?

A. He had a hoarse horse.

Q. What do you call a lazy statue?

A. An idle idol.

Q. How did the moose begin the letter to his cousin?

A. Dear Deer.

Q. What do you call a young coal digger?

A. A minor miner.

Q. What do you say to a soldier in shining armor when he goes to bed?

A. Night-night, Knight!

Q. What do you call a scared bucket?

A. A pale pail.

Q. What do you call bunny fur?

A. Hare hair.

Q. What is a quick look at a mountaintop?

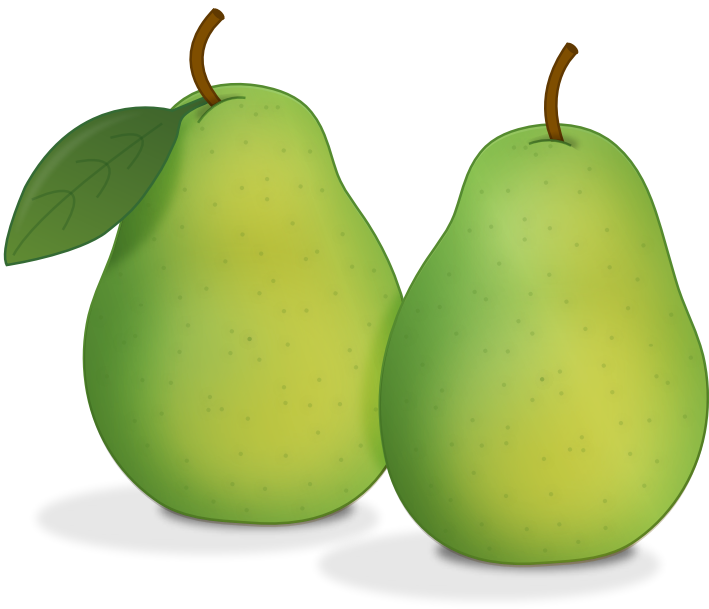
A. A peak peek.

Q. What is a stinky chicken?

A. A foul fowl.

Q. What do you call a test tube full of gross liquid?

A. A vile vial.



Homophone Puns

A pun is a humorous play on words that uses homophones or words with multiple meanings. See if your students can figure out the jokes, then try writing their own puns!

Q. What's the last part of a story?

A. The tale end.

Q. Why did the baker stop making doughnuts?

A. He got tired of the hole thing.

Q. Why did the vegetable lie down?

A. It was beet.

Q. What does a clock do when it's hungry?

A. It goes back four seconds.

Q. Why did the chimney go to the doctor?

A. Because it had the flue.

Q. Why is it so wet in England?

A. Because of all of the kings who have reigned there.

Q. Why didn't the man go to the funeral?

A. He wasn't a mourning person.

Q. What did the grape do when it was squeezed?

A. It let out a little whine.

Q. What kind of oranges do sailors like?

A. Naval oranges.

Q. What did the crowd do when the soccer player kicked the winning goal?

A. They applauded his great feet.

Q. Where do they put crying children?

A. In a bawl park.

Q. What kind of trees come in two's?

A. Pear trees.

Q. Why was the pail pale?

A. It wasn't a well bucket.

Q. Why did the boy bring a fork to math class?

A. He heard there was going to be pi.

Q. What did the model say when she started turning gray?

A. I think I'll dye.

Q. Where do medieval soldiers study?

A. At knight school.

Q. Why did the girl drop out of school?

A. She didn't like the principal of it.

Q. What do rabbits use to comb their fur?

A. A hare brush.

Q. Why did the lady give her ice cream to her dog?

A. She didn't want it to go to waist.

Q. How did the man learn to drive the ice cream truck?

A. He went to sundae school.

Q. Why did the envelope dress like a boy?

A. He wanted everyone to know he was mail.

Q. What did the husband say when he saw the rabbit on his wife's head?

A. What a beautiful head of hare!

Q. What's black and white and read all over?

A. A newspaper.

Q. Why did the roof leak?

A. Because it needed ceiling.

Q. What did the sign in the doctor's office say?

A. "We have a lot of patience."