

Review B: Words Often Confused

EXERCISE Underline the word or word group in parentheses that correctly completes the meaning of each sentence below.

Example 1. The players are (all ready, already) for the game.

1. The quarterback's argument did not (*affect*, *effect*) the referee's decision.
2. Roy enjoys playing all sports (*accept*, *except*) golf.
3. Each year, a statewide track meet is held in the (*capital*, *capitol*).
4. Coach Novinger will (*complement*, *compliment*) a player who deserves it.
5. For several days before the big game, none of the players ate (*desert*, *dessert*).
6. If the volleyball is low on air, (*its*, *it's*) of no use to us.
7. The Fighting Muskrats are determined not to (*loose*, *lose*) to the Laughing Hyenas.
8. Since Angela (*passed*, *past*) all her classes, she can play in the next game.
9. Our school (*principal*, *principle*) attends all of the home games.
10. The fans in the bleachers grew (*quiet*, *quite*) as Debra prepared for a free throw.
11. We will jog three miles; (*than*, *then*), we will practice lay-ups.
12. Coach Rogers told us to go to the tennis courts, and she will meet us (*their*, *there*, *they're*).
13. Because of the rain, I don't know (*weather*, *whether*) the golfers will be able to play.
14. "Who is (*your*, *you're*) best server?" asked a volleyball player on the other team.
15. During practice Coach often shouts, "Keep moving! Don't (*waist*, *waste*) your time!"
16. Carlos's pitches are (*to*, *too*, *two*) fast for most batters to hit.
17. (*Who's*, *Whose*) going to fill in for the injured player?
18. Going into the game, I felt a sense of (*peace*, *piece*) about the outcome.
19. Bryan (*formally*, *formerly*) played for a school across town.
20. The school (*consul*, *council*, *counsel*) has agreed to create a soccer field beside the gym.