

Words Often Confused E

Review the Words Often Confused covered on pages 389–391 of your textbook for information on the correct spelling and usage of the following terms.

<i>threw, through</i>	<i>weak, week</i>	<i>who's, whose</i>
<i>to, too, two</i>	<i>weather, whether</i>	<i>your, you're</i>
<i>waist, waste</i>		

EXERCISE A Underline the word in parentheses that correctly completes each sentence below.

Example 1. We were (to, *too*, *two*) late; the bus had already departed.

1. Frankie Jean couldn't decide (*whether*, *weather*) to watch the scary movie.
2. Mai-Lei wrapped a colorful sash around her (*waist*, *waste*).
3. Your muscles may be (*weak*, *week*) now, but they'll become stronger as you work out.
4. (*Who's*, *Whose*) the vice president of the United States?
5. Vivian wondered (*whether*, *weather*) it would rain this weekend.
6. "(*Your*, *You're*) kidding, right?" I said to Thanh.
7. Domingo accidentally (*threw*, *through*) away Karma's phone number.
8. Are you hungry enough (*to*, *too*, *two*) eat one of these huge bran muffins?
9. The (*whether*, *weather*) is perfect for playing volleyball on the beach.
10. I wasn't sure (*who's*, *whose*) science book it was, so I gave it to Mr. Reddick.

EXERCISE B Most of the following sentences contain an error in word usage. Cross out each error, and write the correct word above it. If a sentence is already correct, write C after it.

Example 1. In the 1800's, many women wore corsets to create a tiny ~~waste~~^{waist}.

11. Your invited to a masquerade party.
12. Dress so that no one will know whose inside your costume.
13. I've been designing my costume for a weak.
14. If the whether is nice, we will dance and eat outdoors.
15. My parents will be there through the entire evening.
16. The party will be next week on Friday night.
17. If you need a ride too my house, just call me.
18. Please RSVP so that we don't waste food by buying too much.
19. If your not sure about a costume, ask me for ideas.
20. I have too extra costumes that I can lend to people.