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1. The school's **/ˈprɪnsəpəl/** gave a speech to all the students at the beginning of the year. (Hint: Think about the person responsible for running a school.)

(A) Principle
(B) Principal

2. She received a lovely **/ˈkɒmplɪmənt/** about her presentation. (Hint: Think about a positive remark expressing admiration.)

(A) Compliment
(B) Complement

3. I bought some **/ˈsteɪʃənəri/** to write letters to my friends. (Hint: Think about the materials you need to write letters.)

(A) Stationary
(B) Stationery

4. The baker needed two kilos of **/ˈflaʊə/** to make the bread. (Hint: Think about the ingredient used to make bread.)

(A) Flower
(B) Flour

5. After years of conflict, the two countries finally signed a **/pi:s/** agreement.(Hint: Think about the opposite of war.)

(A) Piece
(B) Peace

6. The dress was too tight around the **/weɪst/**.(Hint: Think about the part of the body between the ribs and the hips.)

(A) Waste
(B) Waist

7. The archaeologists discovered an ancient burial **/saɪt/** near the village. (Hint: Think about the location where something is found or built.)

(A) Sight

(B) Site

8. The actor played the leading **/rəʊl/** in the new film.
(Hint: Think about the character an actor plays.)

(A) Roll

(B) Role

9. The company decided to dismiss three employees from the management **/bɔːd/**. (Hint: Think about the group of people responsible for making company decisions.)

(A) Bored

(B) Board

10. The prisoner was kept in a small **/sel/** for several months. (Hint: Think about a small room in a prison.)

(A) Cell

(B) Sell

11. She usually has a bowl of **/ˈsɪəriəl/** for breakfast. (Hint: Think about a breakfast food often eaten with milk.)

(A) Serial

(B) Cereal

12. The **/səʊl/** of his left foot was hurting after walking for several hours. (Hint: Think about the bottom part of the foot that touches the ground.)

(A) Soul

(B) Sole

13. The **/meɪl/** nurse helped the patient recover after the operation. (Hint: Think about the gender of the nurse.)

(A) Male

(B) Mail

14. The **/ˈsteɪʃənəri/** vehicle caused a traffic jam because it had broken down. (Hint: Think about a vehicle that is not moving.)

(A) Stationery

(B) Stationary

15. The **/stiːl/** used to construct the bridge is extremely strong and durable. (Hint: Think about the strong metal used in construction.)

(A) Steal

(B) Steel

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Answer Key
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A Principle

✓ B Principal

i Meanings: Principle = a fundamental belief, rule or moral standard. Principal = the person in charge of a school.

2. She received a lovely **/ˈkɒmplɪmənt/** about her presentation. (Hint: Think about a positive remark expressing admiration.)

✓ A Compliment

B Complement

i Meanings: Compliment = a positive remark expressing admiration. Complement = something that completes or goes well with something else.

3. I bought some **/ˈsteɪʃənəri/** to write letters to my friends. (Hint: Think about the materials you need to write letters.)

A Stationary

✓ B Stationery

i Meanings: Stationary = not moving or remaining in one place. Stationery = writing materials such as paper, pens and envelopes.

4. The baker needed two kilos of **/ˈflaʊə/** to make the bread. (Hint: Think about the ingredient used to make bread.)

A Flower

✓ B Flour

i Meanings: Flower = the reproductive part of a plant. Flour = a powder made from ground grain, used in baking.

5. After years of conflict, the two countries finally signed a **/piːs/** agreement.(Hint: Think about the opposite of war.)

A Piece

✓ B Peace

i Meanings: Piece = a part or portion of something. Peace = a state of harmony or the absence of war.

6. The dress was too tight around the **/weɪst/**.(Hint: Think about the part of the body between the ribs and the hips.)

A Waste

✓ B Waist

i Meanings: Waste = unwanted material or the careless use of resources. Waist = the part of the body between the ribs and hips.

7. The archaeologists discovered an ancient burial **/saɪt/** near the village. (Hint: Think about the location where something is found or built.)

A Sight

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i Meanings: Sight = something that is seen or the ability to see. Site = a particular place or location.

8. The actor played the leading **/rəʊl/** in the new film.
(Hint: Think about the character an actor plays.)

A Roll

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i Meanings: Roll = a small loaf of bread or an act of turning over. Role = a character or part played by an actor.

9. The company decided to dismiss three employees from the management **/bɔːd/**. (Hint: Think about the group of people responsible for making company decisions.)

A Bored

✓ B Board

i Meanings: Bored = feeling uninterested because something is unexciting. Board = a group of people responsible for managing an organisation.

10. The prisoner was kept in a small **/sel/** for several months. (Hint: Think about a small room in a prison.)

✓ **A** Cell

B Sell

i Meanings: Cell = a small room in a prison or the basic unit of a living organism. Sell = to exchange something for money.

11. She usually has a bowl of **/ˈsɪəriəl/** for breakfast. (Hint: Think about a breakfast food often eaten with milk.)

A Serial

✓ **B** Cereal

i Meanings: Serial = a story or programme presented in separate episodes. Cereal = a breakfast food made from grains.

12. The **/səʊl/** of his left foot was hurting after walking for several hours. (Hint: Think about the bottom part of the foot that touches the ground.)

A Soul

✓ **B** Sole

i Meanings: Soul = the spiritual or emotional part of a person. Sole = the underside of the foot or shoe.

13. The **/meɪl/** nurse helped the patient recover after the operation. (Hint: Think about the gender of the nurse.)

✓ **A** Male

B Mail

i Male = belonging to the sex that produces sperm. Mail = letters and parcels delivered by a postal service.

14. The **/ˈsteɪʃənəri/** vehicle caused a traffic jam because it had broken down. (Hint: Think about a vehicle that is not moving.)

A Stationery

✓ **B** Stationary

i Stationary means remaining in one place without moving, relevant to the context of a vehicle causing a traffic jam.

15. The **/sti**:**l/** used to construct the bridge is extremely strong and durable. (Hint: Think about the strong metal used in construction.)

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