



200

Confusing Words

Word pairs that look or sound alike (affect / effect, principal / principle, stationary / stationery ...): both meanings, one sentence that uses both, and a **trick** to never mix them up again.

200

word pairs

400

words explained

★ 68

most asked

A CARD FROM INSIDE

001 ★ MOST ASKED

Affect

verb: to influence

*Noise can affect sleep; its effect is tiredness.***TRICK · A = Action (verb), E = End result****Effect**

noun: a result

INSIDE

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SET 1 · A - C

Confusing Words

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001

Abjure

to give up a belief

*The judge adjured him to tell the truth; he abjured his old views.***Adjure**

to urge earnestly

002

Accede

to agree

*The board acceded to the request that did not exceed the budget.***TRICK · EXceed = EXtra****Exceed**

to go beyond

003 ★ MOST ASKED

Accept

to receive or agree

*I accept all the books except this one.***TRICK · eXcept = eXclude****Except**

leaving out

004 ★ MOST ASKED

Access

a way in; to reach

*Excess traffic blocked access to the hospital.***TRICK · EXcess = EXtra****Excess**

too much

005

Accident

an unexpected event

*The incident was not an accident.***Incident**

an event

006 ★ MOST ASKED

Adapt

to adjust

*They adopted a child who quickly adapted to the new home.***TRICK · adOpt = Own****Adopt**

to take as one's own

007

Addition

adding

*The new edition has an addition of two chapters.***TRICK · Edition = Editor****Edition**

one version of a book

008

Adherence

sticking to rules

*Adherents show adherence to the faith.***Adherents**

followers

009 ★ MOST ASKED

Adverse

harmful; unfavourable

*He is averse to working in adverse conditions.***TRICK · aVERSE = against (no d)****Averse**

unwilling

010 ★ MOST ASKED

Advice

noun: a suggestion

*I advise you to take his advice.***TRICK · advi-C-e = noun (like "ice" is a thing)****Advise**

verb: to suggest

011 ★ MOST ASKED

Affect

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noun: a result

012

Affluent

rich

*Affluent towns must treat factory effluent.***TRICK · EFFluent = flows out****Effluent**

liquid waste





013

Aisle

a passage between seats

*Walk down the aisle; dream of an isle.***TRICK · ISLE = ISLand****Isle**

a small island

014

All ready

completely prepared

*We were all ready, but the bus had already left.***Already**

before now

015

All together

everyone in one place

*We were all together, but altogether tired.***Altogether**

completely

016

Allowed

permitted

*Reading aloud is not allowed here.***TRICK · aLOUD = LOUD****Aloud**

out loud

017 ★ MOST ASKED

Allusion

an indirect reference

*His speech made an allusion to the illusion of wealth.***TRICK · ILLusion = false picture****Illusion**

a false idea or image

018

Altar

a holy table

*Do not alter the altar.***TRICK · altAR = sAcRed****Alter**

to change

019

Alternate

every second one

*We meet on alternate days; there is no alternative.***TRICK · alternATIVE = choice****Alternative**

another choice

020

Amend

to change for the better

*Parliament amends laws; editors emend texts.***Emend**

to correct a text

021

Amiable

friendly (people)

*The amiable leaders reached an amicable settlement.***TRICK · amiCABLE = agreement****Amicable**

peaceful (agreements)

022

Ante-

before (antenatal)

*Antenatal care comes before birth; antiviral drugs fight viruses.***TRICK · antE = Earlier, antI = against****Anti-**

against (antivirus)

023

Appraise

to judge the value

*Apprise the manager after you appraise the land.***TRICK · apprISE = InformS****Apprise**

to inform

024 ★ MOST ASKED

Ascent

climbing up

*The President gave his assent to the bill on the day of the ascent.***TRICK · aSSent = Say yeS****Assent**

agreement





025

Assay

to test a metal

*He wrote an essay on how to assay gold.***Essay**

a short piece of writing

026

Avenge

to punish for a wrong done to another

*He sought revenge, but the hero avenged the villagers.***Revenge**

to hurt back for a wrong to oneself

027

Bare

naked; empty

*He could not bear the cold with bare feet.***Bear**

to carry or endure; an animal

028

Beach

the shore

*A beech tree grows near the beach.***Beech**

a type of tree

029

Berth

a sleeping place on a train or ship

*She gave birth on the lower berth.***TRICK · bERth = bed****Birth**

being born

030 ★ MOST ASKED

Beside

next to

*Besides Ravi, Mohan sat beside me.***TRICK · besideS = pluS****Besides**

in addition to

031 ★ MOST ASKED

Biannual

twice a year

*The biannual meeting is in June and December; the biennial fair is in 2026 and 2028.***TRICK · biENNial = two yEARs****Biennial**

every two years

032 ★ MOST ASKED

Born

brought into life

*He was born poor and has borne many hardships.***TRICK · borNE = eNdurEd****Borne**

carried; endured

033

Brake

a device to stop

*Take a break if the brake fails.***TRICK · brAKE = stop the cAr****Break**

to damage; a pause

034 ★ MOST ASKED

Breath

noun: air taken in

*Breathe deeply and hold your breath.***TRICK · breathE = vErb****Breathe**

verb: to take air in

035

Bridal

of a bride

*The bridal car was followed by a horse with a red bridle.***TRICK · bridLE = horse****Bridle**

a horse's headgear

036

Calendar

a chart of days

*Mark the date on the calendar, then drain rice in a colander.***Colander**

a bowl with holes





037 ★ MOST ASKED

Canvas

strong cloth

Volunteers canvass for votes carrying canvas bags.

TRICK · canvaSS = Search for Support

Canvass

to ask for votes

038

Capital

main city; money

The Capitol stands in the capital, Washington.

TRICK · capitOI = dOme building

Capitol

a parliament building (US)

039

Casual

informal

There is a causal link, not a casual one.

TRICK · CAUSal = CAUSE

Causal

about a cause

040

Ceiling

top of a room

Workers are sealing the cracks in the ceiling.

Sealing

closing tightly





SET 2 · C – E

Confusing Words

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041

Cell

a small room; a unit of life

*They sell prison cell models.***Sell**

to give for money

042

Cereal

grain food

*She watched a TV serial while eating cereal.***TRICK · SERIAL = SERIES****Serial**

in a series

043

Cheque

a bank order to pay

*Check the date on the cheque.***TRICK · chEQUE = bank****Check**

to examine

044

Childish

silly, like a child (negative)

*His childlike smile is lovely, but his childish anger is not.***Childlike**

innocent like a child (positive)

045

Choose

to pick (present)

*Today I choose tea; yesterday I chose coffee.***TRICK · chOOse = nOw (two O)****Chose**

picked (past)

046

Cite

to quote

*He cited the report about the building site.***TRICK · Site = Spot****Site**

a place

047

Climactic

of a climax

*The climactic scene was shot in harsh climatic conditions.***TRICK · climaCtic = Climax****Climatic**

of climate

048 ★ MOST ASKED

Coarse

rough

*The course material was printed on coarse paper.***TRICK · cOURse = OUR lessons****Course**

a path; a series of lessons

049 ★ MOST ASKED

Collision

a crash

*The collision was caused by collusion between officials.***TRICK · collUision = Unfair deal****Collusion**

a secret agreement to cheat

050

Coma

deep unconsciousness

*Put a comma; don't fall into a coma.***Comma**

a punctuation mark

051 ★ MOST ASKED

Complement

something that completes

*He paid her a compliment; the scarf is a perfect complement to her dress.***TRICK · complEment = complEte, compliment = I like it****Compliment**

praise

052

Compliant

obeying

*A compliant firm gets no complaint.***Complaint**

a statement of a problem





053 ★ MOST ASKED

Comprehensive

complete, covering all

The report is comprehensive and comprehensible.

TRICK · comprehensible = understandABLE

Comprehensible

easy to understand

054

Confidant

a trusted friend

She is confident because her confidant supports her.

TRICK · confidANT = A friend

Confident

sure of oneself

055 ★ MOST ASKED

Conscience

sense of right and wrong

He was conscious of his guilty conscience.

TRICK · conSCIENCE = sCIENCE of right

Conscious

awake; aware

056 ★ MOST ASKED

Continual

repeated often

The continual phone calls broke the continuous silence.

TRICK · continuOUS = One Unbroken Stream

Continuous

without a break

057 ★ MOST ASKED

Corps

a group of soldiers

The corps found a corpse.

TRICK · corpSE = dEad

Corpse

a dead body

058 ★ MOST ASKED

Council

a group that governs

The council took counsel from experts.

TRICK · counSEL = adviSE

Counsel

advice; a lawyer

059 ★ MOST ASKED

Credible

believable

Only a credulous person believes a story that is not credible.

TRICK · credULOUS = gULLible

Credulous

too ready to believe

060

Cue

a signal

Join the queue on the cue.

TRICK · QUEUE = Q of people

Queue

a line of people

061

Currant

a dried grape

The current price of currants is high.

TRICK · currANT = A food

Current

present; flow

062 ★ MOST ASKED

Dairy

place for milk products

She writes about the dairy farm in her diary.

TRICK · dAIry = milk; dIAry = I write

Diary

a daily record book

063

Decent

proper, respectable

The plane began its descent; the crew was decent.

TRICK · DEScent = DESCend

Descent

going down

064

Dependant

noun: a person who depends

His dependants are dependent on him.

TRICK · dependANT = A person

Dependent

adjective: relying on

065 ★ MOST ASKED

Deprecate

to disapprove of

Critics deprecate the policy; the rupee may depreciate.

TRICK · depreCIATE = valUe falls

Depreciate

to fall in value

066 ★ MOST ASKED

Desert

dry land; to abandon

In the desert, they had no dessert.

TRICK · deSSert = Sweet Stuff (two S)

Dessert

sweet dish after a meal





067

Detract

to reduce value

*Noise can distract you; it doesn't detract from the film.***TRICK · DIS**tract = DIScourage focus**Distract**

to take attention away

068 ★ MOST ASKED

Device

noun: a tool

*He devised a new device.***TRICK · C** = noun, **S** = verb (like advice/advise)**Devise**

verb: to plan or invent

069

Die

to stop living

*Dye your hair before the colour dies out.***TRICK · dYE** = colour**Dye**

to colour

070

Disburse

to pay out

*Police dispersed the crowd before funds were disbursed.***Disperse**

to scatter

071 ★ MOST ASKED

Discreet

careful, tactful

*Be discreet about the two discrete cases.***TRICK · discrETE** = sEparaTE**Discrete**

separate, distinct

072 ★ MOST ASKED

Disinterested

unbiased, neutral

*The judge was disinterested, not uninterested.***TRICK · DIS** = no side**Uninterested**

not interested

073

Draft

a first version

*Close the window; the draught will blow away the draft.***Draught**

a current of air

074

Dual

double

*The film has a dual role and a sword duel.***TRICK · duEL** = fight**Duel**

a fight between two

075 ★ MOST ASKED

Economic

about the economy

*Buying in bulk is economical during an economic crisis.***TRICK · economicAL** = sAve**Economical**

saving money

076 ★ MOST ASKED

Elicit

to draw out (a reply)

*The police tried to elicit details about the illicit trade.***TRICK · ILLicit** = ILLegal**Illicit**

illegal

077 ★ MOST ASKED

Eligible

qualified

*Your form must be legible to be eligible.***TRICK · ILLegible** = ILL writing**Illegible**

unreadable

078 ★ MOST ASKED

Elude

to escape from

*He alluded to the thief who eluded the police.***TRICK · Elude** = Escape**Allude**

to refer to

079

Elusive

hard to find or catch

*Success was elusive, and his hopes were illusive.***Illusive**

not real

080 ★ MOST ASKED

Emigrate

to leave a country

*He emigrated from India and immigrated to Canada.***TRICK · E** = Exit, **I** = In**Immigrate**

to come into a country





SET 3 · E-L

Confusing Words

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081 ★ MOST ASKED

Eminent

famous and respected

The eminent scientist warned of an imminent storm.

TRICK · IMminent = IMmediate

Imminent

about to happen

082

Ensure

to make certain

Ensure that you insure your car.

TRICK · INsure = INSurance

Insure

to protect with insurance

083

Envelop

verb: to wrap

Fog enveloped the city; the envelope got wet.

TRICK · envelopE = papEr

Envelope

noun: a paper cover

084

Exalt

to praise highly

*The fans exulted and exalted the hero.***Exult**

to rejoice

085

Exercise

physical activity

*Exercise daily; no need to exorcise ghosts.***Exorcise**

to drive out an evil spirit

086

Expand

to grow larger

To expand, firms must expend money.

TRICK · expEnd = spEnd

Expend

to spend

087

Explicit

clearly stated

The rule is explicit; his warning was implicit.

TRICK · EX = EXpressed

Implicit

suggested, not stated

088

Fair

just; light; a market

The bus fare to the fair is fair.

TRICK · fARE = what you pay

Fare

money paid for travel

089

Farther

more distant (physical)

He walked farther to get further information.

TRICK · FARther = FAR distance

Further

more; additional

090 ★ MOST ASKED

Fewer

for things you can count

Fewer people means less noise.

TRICK · fewer people, less water

Less

for things you cannot count

091

Flair

natural talent

He has a flair for lighting a flare.

TRICK · fIAIR = talent

Flare

a sudden flame

092

Flour

ground grain

*She mixed flour and decorated the cake with a flower.***Flower**

a bloom



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093 ★ MOST ASKED

Flout

to openly break a rule

*He flaunts his car and flouts traffic rules.***TRICK · fLAUNT = show off****Flaunt**

to show off

094 ★ MOST ASKED

Formally

in an official way

*He was formerly a clerk; now he is formally a manager.***TRICK · formERly = EaRlier****Formerly**

in the past

095

Forth

forward

*The fourth runner went forth.***TRICK · FOURth = FOUR****Fourth**

number 4

096

Forward

ahead

*Move forward to read the foreword.***TRICK · foreWORD = WORDs before****Foreword**

a book's introduction

097

Founder

one who starts; to sink

*The ship foundered while passengers floundered in the water.***Flounder**

to struggle clumsily

098

Gamble

to bet

*Lambs gambol; men gamble.***Gambol**

to jump playfully

099

Gourmet

a food expert

*A gourmet tastes; a gourmand gobbles.***Gourmand**

a person who eats too much

100

Hail

frozen rain; to greet

*The hale old man was out in the hail.***TRICK · hALE = heALTHy****Hale**

healthy

101 ★ MOST ASKED

Hanged

killed by hanging (people)

*The picture was hung; the criminal was hanged.***TRICK · peoplE = hangEd****Hung**

suspended (things)

102

Heal

to cure

*The wound on his heel will heal soon.***TRICK · hEEl = foot****Heel**

back of the foot

103

Hear

to listen

*Come here so you can hear.***TRICK · hEAR = EAR****Here**

this place

104

Historic

important in history

*The historic match was shown in a historical film.***TRICK · historIC = Important Class****Historical**

connected with the past

105

Hoard

a secret store

*A horde of looters found the hoard of gold.***TRICK · hoARD = stored hARD****Horde**

a large crowd

106

Hoard

to store secretly

*He saw a hoarding about hoarding food.***Hoarding**

a large board for ads





107

Hole

an opening

*He ate the whole cake through a hole.***TRICK · Whole = With all****Whole**

complete

108 ★ MOST ASKED

Human

of people

*It is human to err; it is humane to forgive.***TRICK · humanE = kindnEss****Humane**

kind, compassionate

109

Idle

lazy; not working

*Don't sit idle; work hard like your idol.***TRICK · idOL = wOrship****Idol**an image worshipped;
a hero

110 ★ MOST ASKED

Imply

to suggest

*The speaker implies; the listener infers.***TRICK · speaker Implies, listener Infers****Infer**

to conclude

111

Incite

to provoke

*Leaders with insight don't incite violence.***TRICK · inSIGHT = SIGHT inside****Insight**

deep understanding

112

Incredible

unbelievable

*He was incredulous at the incredible news.***TRICK · credULous = person who doubts****Incredulous**

not believing

113 ★ MOST ASKED

Industrial

of industry

*The industrious worker got a job in the industrial area.***TRICK · industriOUS = hardwOrking****Industrious**

hardworking

114 ★ MOST ASKED

Ingenious

clever, inventive

*The ingenious plan fooled the ingenuous boy.***TRICK · ingENUous = gENUine (innocent)****Ingenuous**

innocent, simple

115

Ingenious

clever

*The genius made an ingenious machine.***Genius**a person of great
talent

116 ★ MOST ASKED

Insolent

rude

*The insolent trader became insolvent.***TRICK · insolVENT = no money comes out****Insolvent**

unable to pay debts

117

Intense

very strong

*For all intents and purposes, the heat was intense.***Intents**

aims

118 ★ MOST ASKED

Its

belonging to it

*It's a dog; its tail is short.***TRICK · apostrophe = a missing letter****It's**

it is / it has

119 ★ MOST ASKED

Judicial

of courts or judges

*A judicious decision avoided a judicial case.***TRICK · judiciOUS = wise****Judicious**

wise, sensible

120

Leada heavy metal; to guide
(present)*She led the team past a lead mine.***TRICK · LED = guided****Led**

guided (past of "lead")





SET 4 · L-R

Confusing Words

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121

Lessen

to reduce

*This lessen will lessen your fear.***TRICK · lessON = lessON in class****Lesson**

something learnt

122

Liabe

legally responsible

*You are liable if you publish libel.***TRICK · liBEL = BELittle in print****Libel**

false written statement

123 ★ MOST ASKED

Lie

to rest flat (lie-lay-lain)

*Lay the book down and lie on the bed.***TRICK · lAy = plAcE something****Lay**

to put something down (lay-laid-laid)

124

Lightening

making lighter

*Lightning struck while we were lightening the load.***TRICK · lightNING = flash****Lightning**

flash in the sky

125 ★ MOST ASKED

Loath

unwilling

*I loathe lies and am loath to forgive them.***TRICK · loathE = vErb****Loathe**

to hate

126 ★ MOST ASKED

Loose

not tight

*If your belt is loose, you may lose your pants.***TRICK · loose has two O's like a loose belt****Lose**

to fail to keep

127

Luxuriant

growing thickly

*The luxurious hotel had a luxuriant garden.***TRICK · luxuriANT = plANTs****Luxurious**

very comfortable and costly

128

Mail

letters

*The male clerk sorted the mail.***Male**

a man or boy

129

Marshal

an officer; to arrange

*The marshal taught martial arts.***TRICK · MARTial = war (Mars)****Martial**

of war

130

Meet

to come together

*Meet me at the meat shop.***TRICK · mEAt = EAt****Meat**

flesh as food

131

Miner

a worker in a mine

*The miner had a minor injury.***TRICK · minER = workER****Minor**

less important; under 18

132 ★ MOST ASKED

Momentary

lasting a moment

*It was a momentous day despite a momentary delay.***TRICK · momentOUS = enOrmOUS****Momentous**

very important





133 ★ MOST ASKED

Moral

about right and wrong

The moral story raised the team's morale.

TRICK · moralE = Energy

Morale

confidence and spirit

134

Naval

of the navy

The naval officer had a tattoo near his navel.

TRICK · nAVAL = nAVy

Navel

belly button

135

Officialof an office;
authorised*The official was officious and annoyed everyone.*

TRICK · officiOUS = bOssy

Officioustoo eager to give
orders

136 ★ MOST ASKED

Ordinance

a government order

An ordinance controls the ordnance factory.

TRICK · ordNANCE = weapons (no i)

Ordnance

military weapons

137

Pail

a bucket

He looked pale carrying the heavy pail.

TRICK · pAIL = bucket

Pale

light in colour; weak

138 ★ MOST ASKED

Passed

past tense of pass

He passed the shop in the past.

TRICK · passED = verb

Past

earlier time; beyond

139

Patience

calm waiting

The doctor showed patience to all patients.

TRICK · patiENTS = mENTS = people

Patients

sick people

140

Peace

calm; no war

A piece of cake brings peace.

TRICK · a PIEce of PIE

Piece

a part

141

Pedal

a foot lever

*He pedals his cycle to peddle vegetables.***Peddle**to sell from place to
place

142

Perquisite

a benefit of a job

A degree is a prerequisite; a car is a perquisite.

TRICK · PREreq = before

Prerequisitea requirement
beforehand

143 ★ MOST ASKED

Persecute

to treat cruelly

They prosecuted the man who persecuted his workers.

TRICK · PROsecute = PROceedings in court

Prosecuteto take legal action
against

144 ★ MOST ASKED

Personal

private; of a person

All personnel must keep personal phones away.

TRICK · personNEL = staff (two N)

Personnel

staff, employees

145

Plain

simple; flat land

The plane flew over the plain.

TRICK · pLANE = AEroplaNE

Plane

aeroplane; flat surface

146

Poreto study closely; a tiny
hole*Pour the tea and pore over the book.***Pour**

to make liquid flow





147

Practical

useful; realistic

*The plan is practicable, but is it practical?***TRICK** · practicABLE = ABLE to be done**Practicable**

able to be done

148

Pray

to speak to God

*The deer became prey to the lion; we pray for it.***TRICK** · prEy = Eaten**Prey**

an animal hunted

149 ★ MOST ASKED

Precede

to come before

*The anthem will precede the ceremony; then we proceed.***TRICK** · PREcede = before**Proceed**

to go forward

150

Precedent

an earlier example

*The President set a precedent.***President**

a head of state

151 ★ MOST ASKED

Prescribe

to recommend (medicine)

*Doctors prescribe; laws proscribe.***TRICK** · PROscribe = PROhibit**Proscribe**

to ban

152 ★ MOST ASKED

Principal

head of a school; main

*The principal believes in the principle of honesty.***TRICK** · princIPAL is your PAL**Principle**

a basic rule or belief

153

Prophecy

noun: a prediction

*He prophesied a famine; the prophecy came true.***TRICK** · C = noun, S = verb**Prophecy**

verb: to predict

154 ★ MOST ASKED

Quiet

silent

*The room was quite quiet.***TRICK** · quiET = siLEnT**Quite**

completely; fairly

155

Rain

water from clouds

*It rained heavily during his reign.***TRICK** · reiGN = kinG**Reign**

rule of a king

156 ★ MOST ASKED

Raise

to lift something

*Raise your hand when the sun begins to rise.***TRICK** · raise needs an object**Rise**

to go up by itself

157

Rapped

knocked

*He rapped on the door; she was rapt in reading.***Rapt**

fully absorbed

158

Recent

new

*I resent his recent remarks.***Resent**

to feel bitter about

159 ★ MOST ASKED

Respectable

deserving respect

*A respectable man is respectful to all.***TRICK** · respectFUL = FULL of respect (you give it)**Respectful**

showing respect

160

Respectively

in that order

*Ravi and Rita came first and second respectively; they bowed respectfully.***Respectfully**

with respect





SET 5 · R-Y

Confusing Words

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161

Reverend

title for a priest

*The reverend gave a reverent prayer.***Reverent**

showing deep respect

162

Right

correct

*Write the right answer.***Write**

to put words on paper

163

Role

a part played

*Her role was to call the roll.***TRICK · roLL = LiSt****Roll**

to turn over; a list

164

Route

a way

*The army's rout began on the mountain route.***Rout**

a crushing defeat

165

Scene

a view; part of a play

*Have you seen the last scene?***Seen**

past participle of see

166

Sceptic

a doubter

*Even the sceptic believed the wound was septic.***Septic**

infected

167 ★ MOST ASKED

Sensible

showing good sense

*A sensible person is careful with a sensitive friend.***TRICK · sensiBLE = aBLE to judge****Sensitive**

easily affected or hurt

168

Sew

to stitch

*She sews clothes; he sows seeds.***TRICK · soW = Wheat seeds****Sow**

to plant seeds

169

Sight

the ability to see; a view

*The site of the old fort is a beautiful sight.***TRICK · sigHt = eyes****Site**

a place

170

Sociable

friendly, likes company

*She is sociable and does social work.***Social**

of society

171

Sole

only; bottom of the foot

*He was the sole survivor with a brave soul.***TRICK · sOUL = spirit****Soul**

the spirit

172

Stair

a step

*Don't stare at me on the stair.***Stare**

to look fixedly





173

Stake

a pole; an interest

*His job is at stake for burning the steak.***Steak**

a slice of meat

174 ★ MOST ASKED

Stationary

not moving

Stationery

paper, pens, envelopes

*The car was stationary near the stationery shop.***TRICK** · stationERy = papER

175 ★ MOST ASKED

Statue

a carved figure

*The statute protects the old statue.***TRICK** · statUTE = law**Statute**

a written law

176

Steal

to rob

*Thieves tried to steal the steel rods.***TRICK** · stEEl = mEtal**Steel**

a strong metal

177 ★ MOST ASKED

Storey

a floor of a building

*He told a story about a ten-storey house.***TRICK** · storEY = floor**Story**

a tale

178

Suit

a set of clothes

*He wore a suit in his hotel suite.***TRICK** · suitE = Extra rooms**Suite**

a set of rooms

179

Tale

a story

*The tale was about a dog's tail.***Tail**

the end part of an animal

180

Team

a group

*The pond teems with fish; our team caught many.***Teem**

to be full of

181

Temporal

worldly; of time

*This is a temporary job; he cares only for temporal things.***TRICK** · temporARY = for a while**Temporary**

not permanent

182 ★ MOST ASKED

Their

belonging to them

*Their books are there on the table.***TRICK** · tHERE has "here" in it = place**There**

in that place

183 ★ MOST ASKED

Then

next; at that time

*He was taller than me then.***TRICK** · thAn = compArison**Than**

used to compare

184

Threw

past of throw

*He threw the ball through the window.***Through**

from one side to the other

185

Tortuous

full of twists

*The tortuous road made the trip torturous.***TRICK** · torTURous = TORTURE**Torturous**

very painful

186 ★ MOST ASKED

Urban

of a city

*The urbane speaker discussed urban problems.***TRICK** · urbanE = Elegant**Urbane**

polite and refined





187

Vain

proud; useless

*The doctor tried in vain to find a vein.***Vein**

a blood vessel

188

Vale

a valley

*The bride's veil blew across the vale.***Veil**

a cloth over the face

189

Vary

to change

*Prices vary very often.***Very**

extremely

190

Venal

open to bribery

*A venal officer is worse than a venial mistake.***TRICK · venial = forgivable****Venial**

minor, forgivable (sin)

191 ★ MOST ASKED

Veracity

truthfulness

*I doubt the veracity of his claim about his voracity.***TRICK · vOracity = mOuth****Voracity**

great hunger; greed

192

Waist

the middle of the body

*Don't waste cloth making the waist too big.***TRICK · wAist = body****Waste**

to use badly; rubbish

193

Wander

to walk aimlessly

*I wonder why he wanders alone.***TRICK · wAnder = wAlk****Wonder**

to be surprised; to think

194

Ware

goods

*They sell silver ware; wear your best dress.***Wear**

to have on the body

195

Weak

not strong

*He felt weak for a week.***Week**

seven days

196

Weather

the climate condition

*I don't know whether the weather will be fine.***TRICK · wHether = if****Whether**

if

197

Wet

covered with water

*The smell whetted my appetite, and the rain made me wet.***Whet**

to sharpen; to stimulate

198

Whose

of whom

*Who's the boy whose bag is lost?***TRICK · apostrophe = a missing letter****Who's**

who is / who has

199

Wreath

a ring of flowers

*They placed a wreath; mist wreathed the hills.***TRICK · wreathE = vErb****Wreathe**

to surround

200

Your

belonging to you

*You're late for your class.***TRICK · apostrophe = a missing letter****You're**

you are





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