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Let's Have Pun!

Homonym: Two or more words that have the same spelling but different meanings.

Homophone: Two or more words that have the same pronunciation but different meanings or spellings.

Pun: A joke that uses a homonym or homophones for their humor.

Ex. The broom swept the nation away.

Part 1: Read each pun below. Then underline the homonym or homophone used and explain the pun.

1. The broom swept the nation away.

Swept is a homonym. The word swept can mean to sweep something up (like dirt), but swept can also mean to win something.

2. This duck walks into a cafe and orders a soda. "Four bucks," says the waiter. "Put it on my bill."

3. Reading while sunbathing makes you well red.

Part 2: Use the homophones to create your own pun.

1. ate/eight

2. see/sea

3. nose/knows

4. reign/rain
