

Puzzling Puns

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

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

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

Ex. A sign on the road said, "Frog parking only. All others will be toad."

Part 1: Finish this list of homophones by writing words that share the same pronunciation, but have different meanings or spellings.

1. Aunt / _____
2. Ball / _____
3. Bear / _____
4. Bee / _____
5. Billed / _____



Part 2: Choose two of the homophone word pairs to write your own pun.

1. _____
2. _____

Part 3: Read each pun. Identify if a homophone or homonym was used. Explain how you know.

Ex. A sign on the road said, "Frog parking only. All others will be toad."

The word "toad" is a homophone. I know this because "toad" is a kind of animal and "towed" means that a vehicle is moved by another vehicle. They sound the same but have different spellings and different meanings.

1. Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.

2. Look out the window. The landscape is really bear.
