

HOMOPHONES

For each sentence, find the word in **bold** which has a different sound from the other three.

1.

- a. If you want a dog to follow you, you have to say '**heel**'.
- b. There's a really big **hill** at the end of the village.
- c. I cut myself last week but it will take a long time to **heal**.
- d. **He'll** be here in ten minutes.

2.

- a. That's a long list. Have you got a lot to **buy**?
- b. **Bye**, take care and come back soon.
- c. The **bay** was full of little boats.
- d. **By** the way, have you got that money you owe me.

3.

- a. I **saw** your sister in the high street yesterday.
- b. In the spring, we **sow** new flowers in the garden.
- c. I have a hole in my jeans but I don't know how to **sew** to fix it.
- d. She was tired **so** she went home.

4.

- a. I'm going **to** work now.
- b. Have you got a pet cat **too**?
- c. My car has stopped. Can you **tow** it to the garage for me?
- d. We have **two** children – a boy and a girl.

5.

- a. I **saw** a great movie yesterday.
- b. In the mountains, the eagles **soar** high on the warm air.
- c. My throat is really **sore** from all that shouting at the football game.
- d. Are you really **sure** this is the right telephone number?

6.

- a. When you are really amazed, you feel **awe**.
- b. We were having a good time in the boat until we dropped an **oar** in the water.
- c. **Ah!** Now I know the answer!
- d. Would you like an apple **or** a banana?

HOMOPHONES – ANSWERS

1.

- a. Homophone of /hɪ:l/
- b. Different – the pronunciation is /hɪl/
- c. Homophone of /hɪ:l/
- d. Homophone of /hɪ:l/

2.

- a. Homophone of /baɪ/
- b. Homophone of /baɪ/
- c. Different – the pronunciation is /beɪ/
- d. Homophone of /baɪ/

3.

- a. Different – the pronunciation is /sɔ:/
- b. Homophone of /səʊ/
- c. Homophone of /səʊ/
- d. Homophone of /səʊ/

4.

- a. Homophone of /tu:/
- b. Homophone of /tu:/
- c. Different – the pronunciation is /təʊ/
- d. Homophone of /tu:/

5.

- a. Homophone of /sɔ:/
- b. Homophone of /sɔ:/
- c. Homophone of /sɔ:/
- d. Different – the pronunciation is /ʃɔ:/

6.

- a. Homophone of /ɔ:/
- b. Homophone of /ɔ:/
- c. Different – the pronunciation is /ɑ:/
- d. Homophone of /ɔ:/