

Homophones and Near Homophones



This week, we going to look at some more tricky homophones and near homophones.

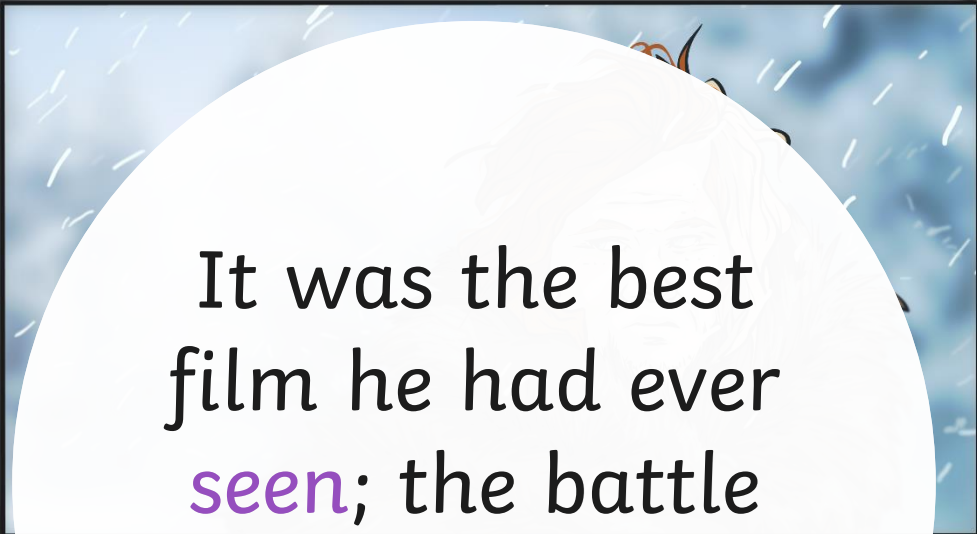
Can you remember what homophones are?

Homophones (or near homophones) are words that sound the same but have different spellings and meanings.

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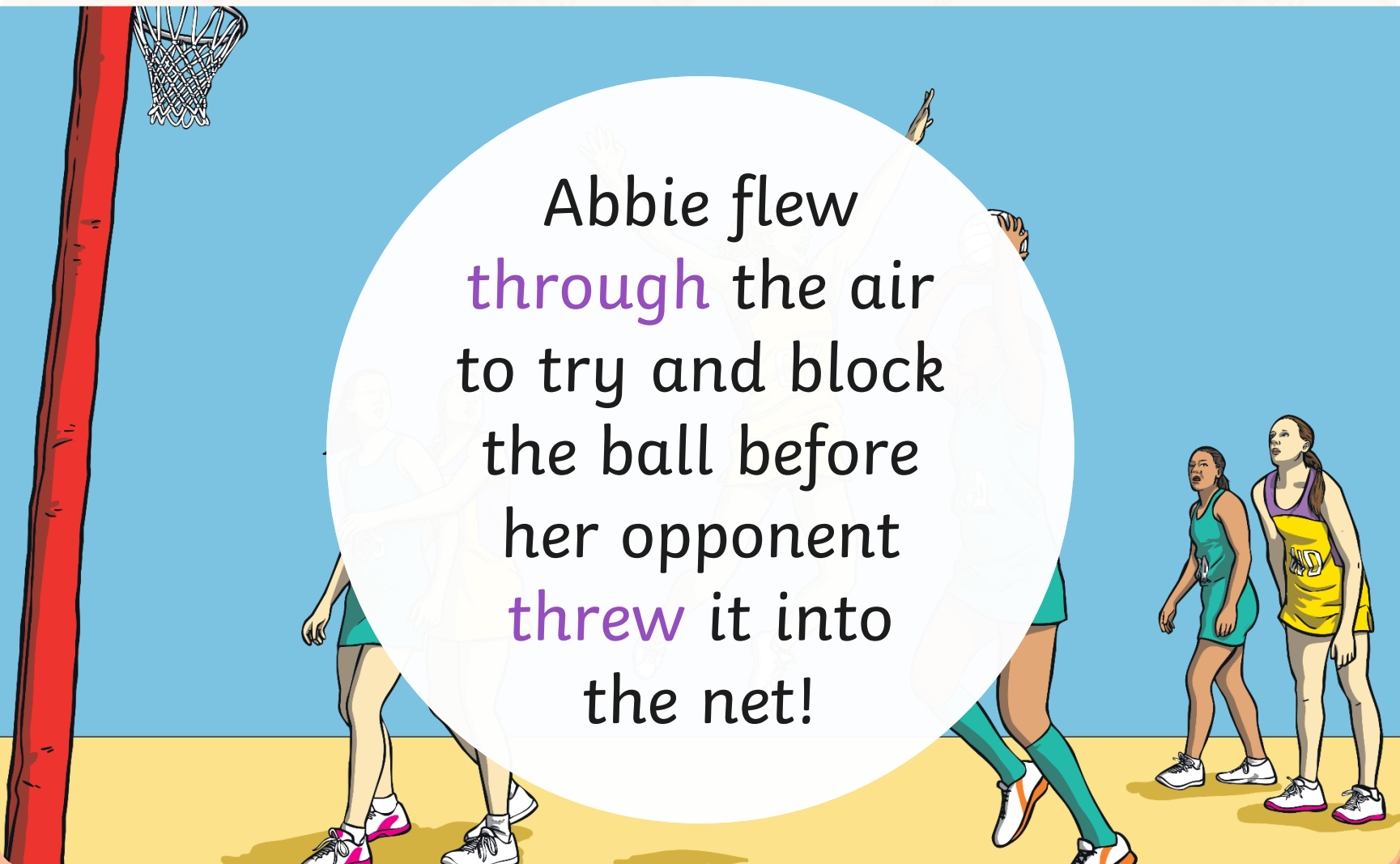
Can you spot the pair of homophones in this sentence?



It was the best
film he had ever
seen; the battle
scene was
phenomenal!

The image shows a movie theater with red seats and a large screen. A large white circle is overlaid on the screen, containing the text. The background of the slide is orange with a pattern of small, stylized floral or leaf-like shapes.

Can you spot the pair of homophones in this sentence?

An illustration of a basketball game. In the background, a basketball hoop and red backboard are on the left. A player in a green jersey is jumping towards the basket. Two other players, one in a green jersey and one in a yellow jersey, are on the right. The scene is set on a yellow court against a blue sky. A large white circle in the center contains text.

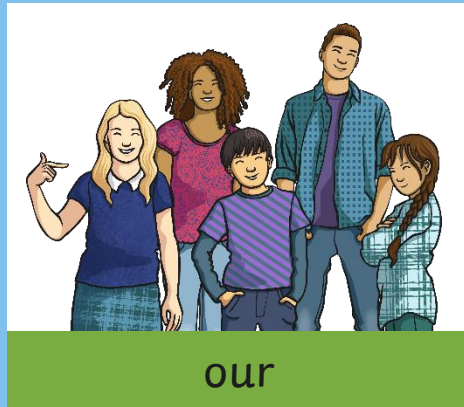
Abbie flew
through the air
to try and block
the ball before
her opponent
threw it into
the net!

To work out your new spelling words, which are all pairs of homophones or near homophones, I am going to give you pairs of definitions.

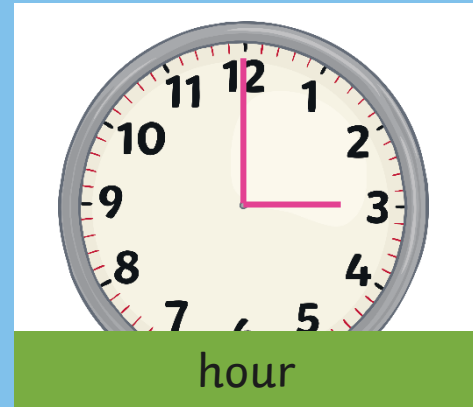
You will need to work with a partner to figure both words out. Think hard because some of these are very tricky!



Definition 1:
A plural possessive pronoun.



Definition 2:
A unit of time equal to sixty minutes.



Write down the pair of homophones for these definitions. Use a dictionary if you need to.

Definition 1

To change something.



alter

Definition 2

A table in a Christian church.



altar

Write down the pair of homophones for these definitions. Use a dictionary if you need to.

Definition 1

An adjective concerning a wedding or a bride.



bridal

Definition 2

The headgear used on a horse.



bridle

Write down the pair of homophones for these definitions. Use a dictionary if you need to.

Definition 1

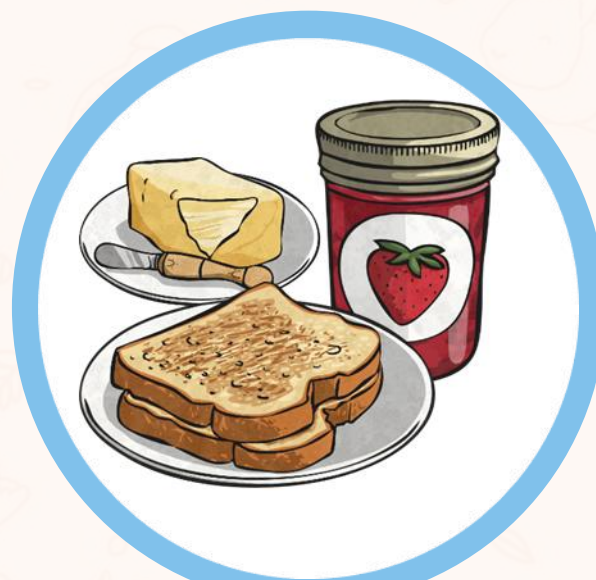
To give someone praise.



compliment

Definition 2

A perfect accompaniment or accessory.



complement

Write down the pair of homophones for these definitions. Use a dictionary if you need to.

Definition 1

To express approval or agreement.



assent

Definition 2

A climb to the top of a mountain or hill.



ascent

Here are your spelling words for this week.

Work hard to practise these pairs of homophones.



Week 5

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alter

altar

ascent

assent

bridal

bridle

cereal

serial

compliment

complement

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