



Homographs

1 Homographs are like word-twins. They *look* the same, but have a *different* meaning. You have to figure out which “twin” makes most sense in the sentence.

2 Here’s some homograph twins:

1. bat – a flying mammal that is awake at night
2. bat – a bat used in sport to hit a ball

3 Circle which twin is the right twin in this sentence:
“Taylor swung the **bat** and the crowd cheered!”



There are clues in the sentence to help you figure it out:

- “Taylor *swung* the bat” – you wouldn’t swing a flying mammal! But you’d swing a baseball bat.
- “The *crowd cheered*” – there’s often a crowd at sports games, and they like to cheer the players!

4 These clues add up to help you figure out that the “sports bat” twin is the right one for the sentence.

“If you’re listening to a story, and you hear a homograph – there are clues to guess which word it probably is.”



Try these ones! Circle the correct homograph and write why you think that:

“I see my friends at the park, so I **wave** at them.”

Why?



“They heard a **ring**.”

Why?

