English Language: 76 Most Commonly Misspelled Words

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- 1. **a lot**: He likes to fish a lot during the summer.
- 2. already: She already has a car to drive.
- 3. **always**: They are <u>always</u> together.
- 4. **among**: She was the best player <u>among</u> her friends in the band.
- 5. **around**: He likes to drive around with his friends.
- 6. **before**: Before you graduate, you should know how to spell these words.
- 7. **beginning**: This is the <u>beginning</u> of the new semester.
- 8. **coming**: He is coming over for dinner after the game tonight.
- 9. **half**: She ate half of the pie.
- 10. have: Her friend said, "Can I have the rest of the pie?"
- 11. **hear**: Can you hear the music?
- 12. **here**: We are <u>here</u> in Georgia.
- 13. **its**: When I found the dog, I discovered <u>its</u> owner had not left any food or water.
- 14. it's: It's going to be a nice day.
- 15. laid: She laid the flowers on the grave.
- 16. **led**: He <u>led</u> his team to victory.
- 17. **losing**: She hates <u>losing</u> to another team.
- 18. **meant**: Her father <u>meant</u> business when he said, "Stay away from my daughter!"
- 19. **nevertheless**: They warned her not to go into the burning building; nevertheless, she went inside to rescue her baby.
- 20. paid: He gets paid every two weeks.
- 21. passed: The old Volkswagen passed me on the freeway!
- 22. past: Some people live too much in the past.
- 23. **perhaps**: Perhaps we can pass this spelling quiz.
- 24. **really**: I really want you to know these basic spelling words.
- 25. **studying:** Studying your homework will help you pass your classes.
- 26. **supposed:** You are <u>supposed</u> to study these words before every quiz.
- 27. **surely**: Surely we can learn these words and move on.
- 28. than: Some of you would rather be at home than taking a quiz.
- 29. then: He worked hard then took a nap.
- 30. their: Where is their new car?
- 31. **there:** I told him to go there and wait.
- 32. too: She ate too much pie and got sick.
- 33. **two:** She bought two pairs of new shoes at the mall.
- 34. **to:** Are you going to the game tonight?
- 35. **together**: My grandparents were together for 60 years.
- 36. **used:** They bought a <u>used</u> car.
- 37. whose: Whose car is that?
- 38. who's: Who's going to the dance tonight?
- 39. **today**: <u>Today</u> is Friday.
- 40. **tomorrow**: Tomorrow is Saturday.
- 41. woman: She is a polite woman.

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- 42. writing: You are writing your spelling words.
- 43. your: Where is your umbrella?
- 44. **you're:** You're going to get wet without a jacket.
- 45. anybody: Anybody can join the club.
- 46. everybody: Not everybody likes loud music.
- 47. **nobody:** Nobody came to her party.
- 48. **somebody**: <u>Somebody</u> gave her a new ring.
- 49. anyone: Anyone can come to the game tonight.
- 50. everyone: Everyone in the band wanted to play an encore.
- 51. no one: No one got out alive.
- 52. **someone**: Someone needs to help the older lady.
- 53. anywhere: I can't find my keys anywhere.
- 54. everywhere: They seemed to go everywhere this summer.
- 55. **nowhere:** The child was nowhere to be found.
- 56. **somewhere:** Somewhere there is a lizard in the sun.
- 57. written: The Bible was written a long time ago.
- 58. **forever:** They thought they'd be in love <u>forever</u>.
- 59. whenever: Whenever you cross the street, look both ways.
- 60. wherever: Wherever you travel, be sure to go prepared.
- 61. hers: The new car is hers.
- 62. ours: The wrecked car is ours.
- 63. theirs: The home on the corner is theirs.
- 64. yours: Is this backpack yours?
- 65. herself: She likes to spend time by herself.
- 66. himself: He prefers to study by himself before exams.
- 67. itself: The cat sleeps in the sun by itself after eating.
- 68. myself: I don't like being by myself on the weekends.
- 69. **ourselves:** We need to be responsible for ourselves.
- 70. **themselves:** They kept the reward money for themselves.
- 71. **yourself:** Please keep to yourself if you are sick.
- 72. **yourselves:** You should behave yourselves while in church.
- 73. **know:** Did you know lizards like to sleep on rocks?
- 74. **known:** She was known as a great softball player.
- 75. **no:** She said, "No, I do not want to wear that dress today."
- 76. **now:** It is important to healthy right now and not wait until later.

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