

# Easily confused words Quiz 1

Confusing words are words that are very similar in spelling or pronunciation. Choose the correct word to complete each sentence. Each question has only one correct answer.

1. The speaker made several ————— to mythology in his speech.

allusions

illusions

2. We must make every effort to ————— a Third World War.

avert

invert

3. He has great ————— for his daughter.

affectation

affection

4. He is an ————— rogue.

artful

artificial

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5. Success often depends on a person's ability to \_\_\_\_\_ himself / herself to changing circumstances.

adapt

adopt

6. I hate \_\_\_\_\_ in speech or manner.

affection

affectation

7. The writer has failed to support his arguments with \_\_\_\_\_ quotations.

apposite

opposite

8. She looked lovely in her \_\_\_\_\_ dress.

bridle

bridal

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9. A child's mind requires \_\_\_\_\_ surroundings to develop well.

congenital

congenial

10. He is \_\_\_\_\_ to violent methods.

averse

adverse

11. I can \_\_\_\_\_ the bare principles of the Special Theory of Relativity, but I can't \_\_\_\_\_ the full implications of that theory.

apprehend, comprehend

comprehend, apprehend

12. Her \_\_\_\_\_ qualities endear her to everybody.

amiable

amicable

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## Answers

1. The speaker made several allusions to mythology in his speech.
2. We must make every effort to avert a Third World War.
3. He has great affection for his daughter.
4. He is an artful rogue.
5. Success often depends on a person's ability to adapt himself / herself to changing circumstances.
6. I hate affectation in speech or manner.
7. The writer has failed to support his arguments with apposite quotations.
8. She looked lovely in her bridal dress.
9. A child's mind requires congenial surroundings to develop well.
10. He is averse to violent methods.
11. I can apprehend the bare principles of the Special Theory of Relativity, but I can't comprehend the full implications of that theory.
12. Her amiable qualities endear her to everybody.