

Wildcat Worksheets – Commonly Misused Words

Activity: Each of the following sentences contains a group of words. Select which word is the correct form and write it in the blank provided.

- _____ 1. “There isn’t a lot / alot / allot I can do to change her mind,” Kristin said.
- _____ 2. Seeing the color red can affect / effect a person’s metabolism by speeding up breathing and pulse rate.
- _____ 3. The boy admitted to stealing the jacket, but he was not sent to jail because he was a miner / minor.
- _____ 4. Denise went to pick up the mail, but Darby had done it all ready / already.
- _____ 5. Paul doesn’t have anymore / any more marshmallows, so the party’s over.
- _____ 6. “Remove any jewelry from your people / persons,” barked the airline security guard as we approached the checkpoint.
- _____ 7. Put the bags beside / besides the table and help Sara put away these groceries.
- _____ 8. If I had a less-active conscience / conscious, I would probably say something rude to that annoying man.
- _____ 9. Jackie’s passed / past acts of kindness were too numerous to list.
- _____ 10. His quizzical look implied / inferred that he doubted what I was saying.
- _____ 11. My kitten likes to lay / lie across my keyboard when I’m trying to write a paper.
- _____ 12. Quincy preceded / proceeded to the checkout lane.
- _____ 13. She has always been more interested in skydiving than / then I am.
- _____ 14. Campus jobs which / that are funded by the university are awarded to students only.
- _____ 15. Wendy’s principal / principle reason for returning to school is her personal fulfillment.