

homophone

↑
same

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sound

Homophones are words that are spelled differently, have different meanings yet sound the same.

Homophones

These words all sound the same, but they are spelt differently, and have different meanings.

there

their

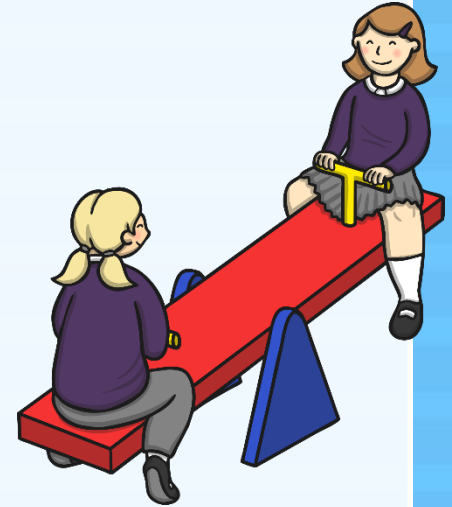
they're



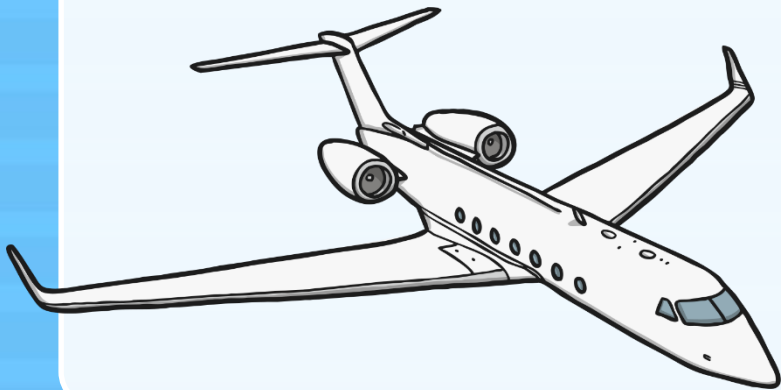
there

'**there**' refers to a place or position.

The children are playing over there.



There is an aeroplane in the sky.



There → e

their

'**their**' is a possessive adjective. This means it shows ownership or belonging.

Their lunch was very tasty.



The children are wearing their school uniform.



Their



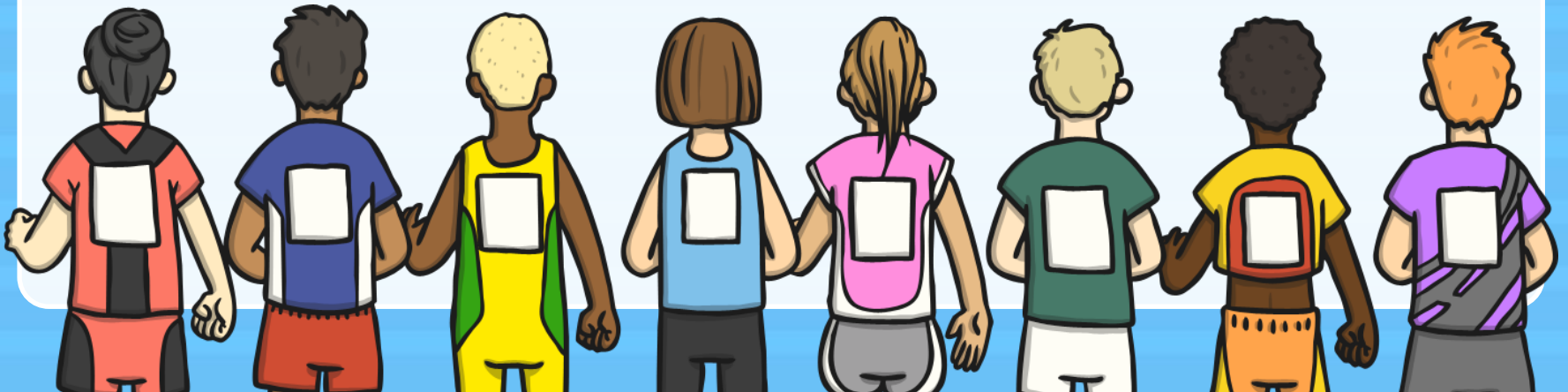
they're

'they're' is a contraction. This means it is a shorter way of saying 'they are'.

They're playing a game together.



They're running around the track.



there, their and they're

They're all talking to their friends over there.



Can you work out the homophones from the following clues?

Look at the ocean



see



sea

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to

too

two



to

'to' is a preposition when it comes before a noun.

The children are going to the shop.

They went to London.



'to' is usually (but not always) used before the infinitive form of a verb. The infinitive form of a verb just means a verb in its most basic form.



I need to go to work today.

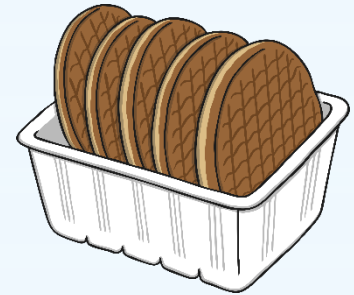
I'm going to tidy the house tomorrow.

'to' has lots of meanings, but if 'too' and 'two' don't make sense, you probably need to use 'to'!

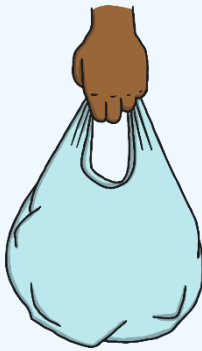
too

'**too**' can mean 'as well' and 'also'.

May I come shopping too?
I like cakes, but I like biscuits too.



'**too**' can also be used to show excess.



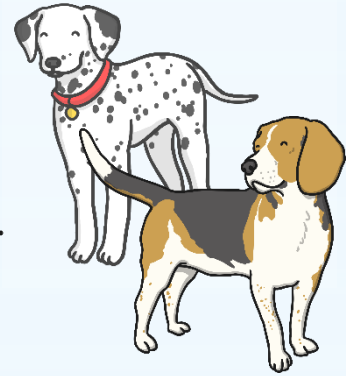
I have eaten too much food.
The bag was too heavy.



two

'two' means the number '2'.

There are two dogs running in the park.



2wo
Two

I have two brothers and one sister.



to, too and two

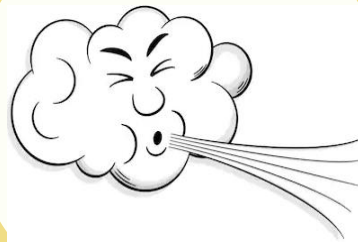
Two children wanted to catch the bus to school, but they were too late.



Blue or blew?

blue

blew



Here or hear



hear

I can hear lots of things.

here

Here is a cat, on the bed.



You hear with
your ear.