

Section 11

Usage

- A–An
 A–Of
 A Lot–A lot–Allot
 Above
 Accidentally
 A.D.–B.C.
 Additionally
 Ado–Adieu
 Adverse–Averse
 Affect–Effect
 Afterward–Afterwards
 Age–Aged–At the Age of
 Aggravate
 Ain't
 All of
 All Right
 Allude–Refer
 Almost–All Most
 Already–All Ready
 Altogether–All Together
 Always–All Ways
 Amount–Number
 And
 And Etc.
 And/Or
 Another
 Anxious–Eager
 Anymore–Any More
 Anyone–Any One
 Anytime–Any Time
 Anyway–Any Way
 Appraise–Apprise
 Appreciate
 As
 As . . . as–Not so . . . as
 As Far as
 At–About
 Attorney–Lawyer
 Author
 Awhile–A While
 Backward–Backwards
 Bad–Badly
 Balance
 Beg the Question
 Being That
 Beside–Besides
 Between–Among
 Between You and Me
 Biannual–Biennial–Semiannual
 Biweekly–Bimonthly
 Both–Each
 Both Alike–Both Equal–Both
 Together
 Bring–Take
 But . . . However
 But What
 Cannot Help but
 Celebrity–Notoriety
 Classic–Classical
 Come–Go
 Come to–Come and
 Compare to–Compare With
 Complement–Compliment
 Complementary–Complimentary
 Comprise–Compose
 Consensus
 Consists of–Includes
 Convince–Persuade
 Could Not Care Less
 Data

Déjà Vu
 Dialogue
 Different–Differently
 Different From–Different Than
 Dilemma
 Disc–Disk
 Disinterested–Uninterested
 Done
 Don't (Do Not)
 Doubt That–Doubt Whether
 Due to–Because of–On Account of
 Each–Either–Both
 Each Other–One Another
 Economic–Economical
 Emeritus–Emerita
 Enormity
 Ensure–Insure–Assure
 Enthused Over
 Entitled–Titled
 Equally–As
 Etc.
 Ethnic References
 Everyday–Every Day
 Everyone–Every One
 Ex–Former
 Except
 Farther–Further
 Fewer–Less
 Firm–Company–Corporation
 First–Firstly, etc.
 Fiscal–Financial
 Flammable–Inflammable
 Former–First
 Fortuitous–Fortunate
 From–Off
 Fulsome
 Gender–Sex
 Good–Well
 Graduated–Was Graduated
 Grow
 Had Better
 Hardly
 Healthy–Healthful
 Help
 Historic–Historical
 Hoi Polloi
 Home–Hone
 Hopefully
 However
 If–Whether
 Impact
 Imply–Infer
 In–Into–In to
 In Behalf of–On Behalf of
 In Regards to
 Incentivize–Incent
 Incidentally
 Incredible–Incredulous
 Indifferent–In Different
 Indirect–In Direct
 Individual–Party–Person–People
 Intents–Intense
 Irregardless
 Is Where–Is When
 Its–It's
 It's Me
 Journal
 Kind
 Kind of–Sort of
 Kind of a
 Kudos
 Last–Latest
 Latter–Last
 Lay–Lie
 Learn–Teach
 Leave–Let
 Lend–Loan
 Like–As–As if
 Like–Such as
 Literally
 Livid
 Look Forward to
 Maiden Name
 Majority–Plurality
 Masterly–Masterful
 May–Can (Might–Could)

Maybe–May Be	Should–Would
Media	Since
More	So–So That
More Important–More Importantly	Someday–Some Day
More Than–Over	Someone–Some One
Most	Sometime–Sometimes–Some Time
Nobody–No Body	Supposed to
None–No One	Sure–Surely
Of–Have	Sure and
Off	Tack–Tact
On–Onto–On to	Than–Then
On–Upon–Up on	That
Only	That–Which–Who
Opposite	Therefore
Parameter	These Sort–These Kind
Per–A	Toward–Towards
Percent–Percentage	Try and
Period Ended–Period Ending	Type–Key
Plus	Unique
Preventive–Preventative	Up
Principle–Principal	Used to
Proved–Proven	Verbal
Rack–Wrack	Very
Raise–Rise	Vicious Circle
Real–Really	Ways
Reason Is Because	Whatever–What Ever
Reluctant–Reticent	Where–That
Retroactive to	Which
Said	While
Same	Who–Which–That
Scarcely	Who–Whom
Scots–Scottish–Scotch	Whoever–Who Ever
Serve–Service	Wise
Set–Sit	Would Have
Shall–Will	

➤ *For a list of words that are frequently misused because they sound alike or look alike, see ¶719; for definitions of grammatical terms, see the appropriate entries in the Glossary of Grammatical Terms (Appendix D).*