

## Troublesome words

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\* desperate / disparate \* do / make \* journey/travel/trip/voyage \* effect / affect \*  
homework / housework \* later / latter \* look forward(s) / look forward to \* my / me \*  
personal / personnel \* practice / practise \* shortage / shortness \* stationary / stationery  
\* take care / take care of \* trainer / trainee \* talk / say \* tell / say \* then / than

### A) Choose the correct one

- 1) I go to the course every day accept / except Mondays.
- 2) It is curtain / certain that she'll lose that game.
- 3) I brushed my teeth and then / than I went to bed to read book.
- 4) Marshal looks forward / looks forward to seeing her girlfriend again.
- 5) I'll do / make a decision tonight.
- 6) We will journey / travel / trip / voyage to Spain next summer.
- 7) I'll have a short business journey / travel / trip / voyage this weekend.
- 8) Our house is beside / besides the Post Office.
- 9) There is a shortage / shortness of qualified personal / personnel in the company.
- 10) My mother does / makes the homework / housework after the breakfast.
- 11) I sometimes wander / wonder along the shore. It makes me feel relaxed.
- 12) Please help me, I need your advice / advise.
- 13) This man has a great effect / affect on people in the company.
- 14) The lizard is still stationary / stationery. It's amazing!
- 15) The old man looks very desperate / disparate.
- 16) I'm very busy now. I will phone Ashley later / latter.
- 17) You should practice / practise more if you want to be perfect.
- 18) I think you should accept / except her offer. It is reasonable.
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- 21) My grandfather always tells / says us that humor is the most important thing in our life.
- 22) The reporter talks / says we should read that.
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**B) Fill in the blanks with the given words.**

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