

Homonyms

Homonyms are words that have the same spelling and pronunciation but different meanings.

Example: mark – damage; correct a student’s work; write or draw on something; celebrate

Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the words from the box. Use each word twice.

engage

right

crane

bore

tick

might

1. I was kept awake the whole night by the _____ of the clock.
2. We were _____ in a lively discussion when an argument broke out among two of the group members.
3. She has to _____ her neck to see above the crowd as she is very short.
4. Everyone found Jordan a _____ as he was only interested in reading.
5. The employees _____ have to work overtime if they cannot meet the deadline.
6. As the teacher, she has the _____ to tell her students off if they misbehave.
7. We took our dog to the veterinarian as we found _____ in its fur.
8. The _____ will be used to lift the bricks to the top floor of the structure.
9. After numerous interviews, the manager has still not found the _____ candidate for the job.
10. She _____ the humiliation of her neighbours’ stares and gossips when her husband was sent to jail for a white collar crime.
11. Ben used all his _____ to drag the heavy box across the floor.
12. The children did not have to help out with the household chores when the family _____ a domestic helper.

Answers:
1. ticking
6. right
11. might

2. engaged
7. ticks
12. engaged

3. crane
8. crane

4. bore
9. right

5. might
10. bore