

Words that can be both nouns and verbs

A Look at the underlined words and choose the correct part of speech.

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| 1 He's <u>based</u> in New York but often travels to Toronto for work. | <i>noun/verb</i> |
| 2 The teacher wrote the answers up on the <u>board</u> . | <i>noun/verb</i> |
| 3 <u>Calm</u> your nerves by taking a few deep breaths before you speak. | <i>noun/verb</i> |
| 4 She bought three <u>rolls</u> of wrapping paper. | <i>noun/verb</i> |
| 5 Anyone who <u>cheats</u> will be banned from taking the exam. | <i>noun/verb</i> |
| 6 We will need to use <u>force</u> to break the lock on the door. | <i>noun/verb</i> |
| 7 They <u>lie</u> about their age so that they can get into nightclubs. | <i>noun/verb</i> |
| 8 How much do you pay in <u>rent</u> each month for the flat? | <i>noun/verb</i> |
| 9 They tried to <u>trick</u> me by pretending to be angry. | <i>noun/verb</i> |
| 10 I use his flat as a <u>base</u> whenever I'm in Paris. | <i>noun/verb</i> |
| 11 Will your dog <u>roll</u> over to let me stroke her stomach? | <i>noun/verb</i> |
| 12 You can't <u>force</u> her to go if she doesn't want to. | <i>noun/verb</i> |

B Complete the sentences using nouns from the box. You may need to make the noun plural.

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- There was a sense of _____ after all the children had left the party.
- How many _____ of paper did you use when you decorated the room?
- She's always playing _____ on me and making me look stupid.
- When I won four games in a row, they accused me of being a _____ .
- He pushed me over with unexpected _____ .
- People will never trust you and want to be your friend if you keep telling _____ .
- I put up a notice on the _____ in reception to advertise the event.
- There is a beautiful sandy beach at the _____ of the cliff.
- The owner of the house puts the _____ up every year.

C Complete the sentences using verbs from the box. You may need to change the form of the verb.

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- You can't _____ her to go to the party if she doesn't want to.
- He was so upset. How did you _____ him down?
- They _____ me into thinking that they had permission to go on the trip.
- We spent three hours at the airport waiting to _____ the plane.
- I dropped my purse and all my coins _____ under the table.
- I'm sure that he was _____ when he said that he had travelled all around South America.
- She lived at her uncle's house while she was _____ in London.
- We're planning to _____ a flat until we find a house to buy.
- They accused me of _____ by checking the answers on the internet.

D Write two sentences for each word. In one sentence, use the word as a noun. In the other sentence, use the word as a verb. You may change the noun to make it plural, or change the tense of the verb. Use a dictionary if necessary.