Noun–Verb Homographs


AN - A: Word target is APPROPRIATELY related to the sentence
N: Sentence contains the NOUN form of the homograph

IV - I: Word target is INAPPROPRIATELY related to the sentence
V: Sentence contains the VERB form of the homograph

UN - U: Word target is UNRELATED to the sentence
N: Sentence contains a NOUN

UV - U: Word target is UNRELATED to the sentence
V: Sentence contains a VERB

AV - A: Word target is APPROPRIATELY related to the sentence
V: Sentence contains the VERB form of the homograph

IN - I: Word target is INAPPROPRIATELY related to the sentence
N: Sentence contains the NOUN form of the homograph

1AN
BREAD
Amy had a roll + from the new bakery.
Did Amy get something at the bakery? Y

1IV
BREAD
Amy had to roll + from bed when her alarm went off.
Did Amy have to get up at a certain time? Y

1UN
BREAD
Amy had a guide + to take her through the museum.

1UV
Amy had to grade several papers before Monday.

Liz had to roll from bed when her alarm went off. Did Liz set an alarm clock? Y

Liz had a roll from the new bakery. Did Liz get something at the bakery? Y

Liz had to grade several papers before Monday. Did Liz get something at the bakery? Y

Liz had a guide to take her through the museum.

Rick asked Joan the type of perfume she was wearing. Did Rick ask Joan about her perfume? Y

Rick asked Joan to type a memo that he needed. Did Rick ask Joan to do something? Y

Rick asked Joan to type a memo that he needed. Did Rick ask Joan to do something? Y

George used the bowl that had a small crack in it. Did George use a cracked bowl? Y

George used to bowl on a league. Did George use to bowl on a league? Y

George used the lock to keep out trespassers. George used to star in the local theater.
Henry used to bowl + on a league.

Did Henry use to bowl on a league? Y

Henry used the bowl + that had a small crack in it.

Did Henry use a cracked bowl? Y

Henry used to star + in the local theater.

Henry used the lock + to keep out trespassers.

Betty prepared the chops + for dinner.

Was Betty preparing breakfast? N

Betty prepared to chop + the cabbage and make cole slaw.

Was Betty preparing meat? N

Betty prepared the grits + even though she wouldn’t eat them.

Betty prepared to ante + with her last few poker chips.

Jack tried the punch + but he didn’t like it.

Did Jack like the punch? N

Jack tried to punch + the guy’s face but he missed.

Did Jack hit the other guy? N

Jack tried the ski + but it was too big for him.

Jack tried to kneel + but his knees wouldn’t allow it.

Betty prepared to ante + with her last few poker chips.

Diane prepared the chops + for dinner.

Was Diane preparing breakfast? N

Diane prepared to ante + with her last few poker chips.

Diane prepared the grits + even though she wouldn’t eat them.

Diane prepared to ante + with her last few poker chips.

Diane prepared to ante + with her last few poker chips.

Bill tried to punch + the guy’s face but he missed.

Did Bill hit the other guy? N
Bill tried the punch but he didn’t like it.
Did Bill like the punch? N

Bill tried to kneel but his knees wouldn’t allow it.

Bill tried the ski but it was too big for him.

Jane was scared a fly would land in her food.
Was Jane worried about the fly? Y

Jane was scared to fly in the private jet.
Was Jane scared to fly in the jet? Y

Jane was scared the rice might be overcooked.

Jane was scared to aim the pistol.

Mary was scared to fly in the private jet.
Was Mary scared to fly in the jet? Y

Mary was scared the rice might be overcooked.

Anne didn’t want the sink to be full of dishes when she got home.
Did Anne want the sink to be full? N

Anne didn’t want to sink in the sand.
Did Anne want to sink in the sand? N

Anne didn’t want the swing to hit her sister in the head.

Anne didn’t want to bend the poster she made for school.

Pam didn’t want to sink in the sand and get stuck.
Did Pam want to sink in the sand? N

Pam didn’t want the sink to be full of dishes when she got home.
Did Pam want the sink to be full? N
FALL
Pam didn't want to bend + the poster she made for school.

14UN

FALL
Pam didn't want the swing + to hit her sister in the head.

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15AN
FOOL
Ron was simply a jerk + on social matters and personal interactions.

Was Ron a jerk on social matters? Y

15IV
FOOL
Ron was simply to jerk + on the cord in order to release the parachute.

Was Ron supposed to jerk on the cord? Y

15UN
FOOL
Ron was simply the beau + of every girl's dreams.

15UV
FOOL
Ron was simply to wade + only a few feet into the ocean.

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16AV
PULL
Fred was simply to jerk + on the cord in order to release the parachute.

Was Fred supposed to jerk on the cord? Y

16IN
PULL
Fred was simply a jerk + on social matters and personal interactions.

Was Fred a jerk on social matters? Y

16UV
PULL
Fred was simply the beau + of every girl's dreams.

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17AN
PIG
Joe forgot a sow + in the pen still needed to be fed.

Did Joe remember to feed all the sows? N

17IV
PIG
Joe forgot to sow + the field before the first freeze.

Did Joe sow before the freeze? N

17UN
PIG
Joe forgot a mop + when he went over to clean the apartment.

17UV
PIG
Joe forgot to sift + the flour before he added the eggs.

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18AV
REAP
Jim forgot to sow + the field before the first freeze.

Did Jim sow before the freeze? N

18IN
REAP
Jim forgot a sow + in the pen still needed to be fed.

Did Jim remember to feed all the sows? N

18UV
REAP
Jim forgot to sift + the flour before he added the eggs.
18UN
REAP
Jim forgot a mop + when he went over to clean the apartment.

Julie walked over a post + in the yard that someone had left lying around.
Did Julie have to walk over something? Y
19IV
FENCE
Julie walked over to post + a notice on the bulletin board.
Did Julie want to post something? Y
19UN
FENCE
Julie walked over a curb + and nearly sprained her ankle.
19UV
FENCE
Julie walked over to greet + her neighbor across the street.

Helen walked over to post + a notice on the bulletin board.
Did Helen want to post something? Y
20IN
MAIL
Helen walked over a curb + and nearly sprained her ankle.
20UV
MAIL
Helen walked over to greet + her neighbor across the street.

Mike and Carol liked the row + of numbers on the far right.
Did they like the row on the right? Y
21IV
COLUMN
Mike and Carol liked to row + the metal canoe.
Did they like to row the metal canoe? Y
21UV
COLUMN
Mike and Carol liked the smell + of freshly baked bread.
21UN
COLUMN
Mike and Carol liked to lunch + at the park.

Ellen and Greg liked to row + the metal canoe.
Did they like to row the metal canoe? Y
22IN
BOAT
Ellen and Greg liked the row + of numbers on the far right.
Did they like the row on the right? Y
22UV
BOAT
Ellen and Greg liked to lunch at the park.

Ellen and Greg liked the smell of freshly baked bread.

Ned liked the watch but he didn't like its price.
Did Ned like the price of the watch? N

Ned liked to watch but he didn't always like what he saw.
Did Ned always like what he saw? N

Ned liked the term but he had never heard it used before.

Dan liked to watch but he didn't always like what he saw.
Did Dan always like what he saw? N

Dan liked the term but he had never heard it used before.

Cheryl wondered whether the pounds she'd gained would ever come off.
Was Cheryl satisfied with her weight? N

Cheryl wondered whether to pound the bent nail into the wood.
Was Cheryl working with a straight nail? N

Cheryl wondered whether the porch needed to be repainted.

Cheryl wondered whether to praise her child's good grades.

Sara wondered whether to pound the bent nail into the wood.
Was Sara working with a straight nail? N

Sara wondered whether the pounds she had gained would ever come off.
Was Sara satisfied with her weight? N
Sara wondered whether to praise her child’s good grades.

Sara wondered whether the porch needed to be repainted.

Stan helped the seal at the zoo to recover from its illness.

Did Stan hurt the seal? No

Stan helped to seal the new plug on the drain.

Did Stan break the plug? No

Stan helped the pastor take food to the elderly.

Stan helped to dish out the chili.

Russ helped to seal the new plug on the drain.

Did Russ break the plug? No

Russ helped the pastor take food to the elderly.

Russ helped to dish out the chili.

Suzy was expecting the press and their camera crews to arrive soon.

Suzy was expecting to press the button and then the elevator would arrive.

Suzy was expecting the truth to be hard to swallow.

Suzy was expecting to march in the Labor Day parade.

Lucy was expecting to press the button and then the elevator would arrive.

Lucy was expecting the press and their camera crews to arrive.
soon.

Was Lucy expecting the press? Y

Lucy was expecting to march + in the Labor Day parade.

Lucy was expecting the truth + to be hard to swallow.

Jeff wanted a steer + that could win a blue ribbon.

Jeff wanted to steer + the brand new truck just once.

Jeff wanted a streak + of good luck at the casino.

Jeff wanted to duck + when he saw his girlfriend enter the bar.

Paul wanted to steer + the brand new truck just once.

Paul wanted to duck + when he saw his girlfriend enter the bar.

Paul wanted a streak + of good luck at the casino.

Gary used a mug + for his coffee and never washed it out.

Did Gary clean his mug often? N

Gary used to mug + people in the parking lot around midnight.

Did Gary mug people in daylight? N

Gary used a fowl + word in the wrong company.

Gary used to moan + every time the rent was due.

Danny used to mug + people in the parking lot around midnight.

Did Danny mug people in daylight? N

Danny used a mug + for his coffee and never washed it out.

Did Danny clean his mug often? N
Danny used to moan + every time the rent was due.

Danny used a fowl + word in the wrong company.

John wanted his check + the first day of every month.
Did John want his check at month’s end? N

John wanted to check + on the fringe benefits before he started his job.
Did John forget about his benefits? N

John wanted his film + developed by Monday.

John wanted to chair + the committee but he was not appointed.

Judy wanted to check + on the fringe benefits before she started her job.
Did Judy forget about her benefits? N

Judy wanted her check + the first day of every month.
Did Judy want her check at month’s end? N

Judy wanted to chair + the committee but she was not appointed.

Ted and Jan wanted to try a stalk + of celery filled with avocado.

Did they want to taste something new? Y

Ted and Jan wanted to try to stalk + a region known for bears.
Did they want to go somewhere dangerous? Y

Ted and Jan wanted to try a malt + from the new ice cream store.

Ted and Jan wanted to try to coax + their freinds into staying.

Alex and Kim wanted to try to stalk + a region known for bears.
Did they want to go somewhere dangerous? Y

Alex and Kim wanted to try a stalk + of celery filled with avocado.
Did they want to taste something new? Y

38UV

HUNT

Alex and Kim wanted to try to coax + their friends into staying.

38UN

HUNT

Alex and Kim wanted to try a malt + from the new ice cream store.


Did Rita want a set of blue dishes? Y

39IV

GROUP

Rita wanted a set + of dishes that was a specific shade of blue.

Did Rita want a set of blue dishes? Y

39UN

GROUP

Rita wanted to set + the hot pan down.

Was Rita eager to put the pan down? Y

39UV

GROUP

Rita wanted a hand + with clearing the table.

39AN

GROUP

Rita wanted to think + about the purchase a little more.

Was Rita eager to think about the purchase a little more? Y

40AV

PUT

Lois wanted to set + the pan down before it burned her hands.

Was Lois eager to put the pan down? Y

40IN

PUT

Lois wanted a set + of dishes that was a specific shade of blue.

Did Lois want a set of blue dishes? Y

40UV

PUT

Lois wanted to think + about the purchase a little more.

40UN

PUT

Lois wanted a hand + with clearing the table.


Was Sam sure the box would arrive okay? N

41IV

SQUARE

Sam was afraid the box + would be damaged by the time it arrived.

Was Sam eager to box the state champion? N

41UN

SQUARE

Sam was afraid the wine + wouldn’t go with the meal.

41UV

SQUARE

Sam was afraid to page + his parents at the restaurant.

Was Sam sure the box would arrive okay? N

41IN

FIGHT

Ken was afraid the box + might be damaged by the time it arrived.

Was Ken eager to box the state champion? N

42IN

FIGHT

Ken was afraid to box + the state lightweight champion.
Was Ken sure the box would arrive okay? N

FIGHT

Ken was afraid to page + his parents at the restaurant.

FIGHT

Ken was afraid the wine + wouldn’t go with the meal.

JOKE

Jill started the gag + thinking that it would only be good clean fun.

Did Jill plan the gag just for fun? Y

JOKE

Jill started to gag + when she was drinking her soda too fast.

Was Jill drinking soda when she gagged? Y

JOKE

Jill started the math + problems as soon as she got home.

WORK

Roy and Meg started the shift + at midnight and worked until dawn.

Did Roy and Meg work during the day? N

WORK

Roy and Meg started to shift + in their seats as they grew restless.

Were they sitting calmly in their seats? N

WORK

Roy and Meg started the tour + in France.

WORK

Roy and Meg started to pace + themselves toward the end of the race.

CHANGE

Eve and Abe started to shift + in their seats as they grew restless.

Were they sitting calmly in their seats? N
Eve and Abe started the shift + at midnight and worked until dawn.

Did Eve and Abe work during the day? N

Eve and Abe started to pace + themselves toward the end of the race.

Eve and Abe started the tour + in France.

Linda wanted a charm + that used to belong to her mother.

Did she want a charm from her mother? Y

Linda wanted to charm + her father into letting her borrow the car.

Did she want to borrow her dad’s car? Y

Linda wanted a sheep + to walk up to her and eat out of her hand.

Debra wanted a charm + that used to belong to her mother.

Did she want a charm from her mother? Y

Debra wanted to scope + out the party before she went in.

Debra wanted a sheep + to walk up to her and eat out of her hand.

Debra wanted to charm + her father into letting her borrow the car.

Did she want to borrow her dad’s car? Y