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LESSON 83 • HOMOPHONES: SEA VS. SEE

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“Words pronounced alike (/si:/) but spelled differently and having different meanings: **sea** (the great body of salt water) and **see** (to perceive with the eyes). Notice the digraphs *ea* and *ee*!”

CONCEPT

1 Poetic Quotations — Read, copy, and identify the two words pronounced alike:

*“The river knows the way to the **sea**.”*
— RALPH WALDO EMERSON
Meaning: The great ocean.

*“**See** the kitten on the wall,
Sporting with the leaves that fall.”*
— WILLIAM WORDSWORTH
Meaning: To behold with eyes.

2 Wheeler's Questions — Answer in complete sentences using sea or see:

1. What is another name for the ocean?

2. What are our eyes for?

3 Sentence Composition — Write an original sentence containing BOTH sea and see:

HOMOPHONE & ORTHOGRAPHY RULES TO REMEMBER:

1. **Vowel Digraph EA in "Sea":** The noun sea (ocean) is spelled with digraph , descending from Old English sæ.

2. **Double EE in "See":** The verb see (vision) is spelled with double , descending from Old English sēon.

3. **Compound Sea Words:** The word sea forms common compound nouns: seashore, seashell, seaman, seaside, seagull.

LESSON 83 TEACHER GUIDE & ANSWER KEY

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TARGET TERM	IPA SOUND	PART OF SPEECH & ORIGIN	ORTHOGRAPHIC & PEDAGOGICAL KEY
sea	/si:/	Noun (OE sǣ)	Digraph ea — represents ocean / body of salt water; forms compounds (seaside).
see	/si:/	Verb (OE sēon)	Double ee — physical sense of sight; principal parts: see, saw, seen.

COMPLETE ANSWER KEY & SOLUTIONS

WHEELER'S EXERCISES

EX. 1 & 2 SOLUTIONS

- Homophone Pair:** **sea** and **see** (/si:/).
- Question 1:** Another name for the ocean is the **sea**.
- Question 2:** Our eyes are for us to **see**.

EX. 3 EXEMPLARY SENTENCE

"From the top of the high lighthouse tower, we could **see** the tall white ships sailing far out upon the blue **sea**."

SOCRATIC GUIDING PROMPTS & PEDAGOGICAL INSIGHTS

INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES

- Eyes to See:** Guide: 'Notice that see has two e's, just like you have two eyes to see with!' (A helpful mnemonic!).
- Wordsworth's Observation:** Discuss how William Wordsworth paid close attention to nature and playful animals like the kitten.
- Compound Exploration:** Have students brainstorm compounds with sea (seashore, seashell, seagull).

DICTATION & ORAL APPLICATION SENTENCES (READ SLOWLY AT NORMAL SPEAKING PACE):

- "The broad blue **sea** was quiet and calm under the morning sky."
- "Can you **see** the little white sailboat upon the water?"
- "The flowing rivers all make their way into the deep **sea**."
- "Open your eyes and **see** the lovely flowers in the garden."