

COMMON MISTAKES (3)

Early -vs- Fast / Died -vs- Dead / Tell -vs- Teach
(time) (speed) (past verb) (adj) (information) (for learning)

Use **early** or **fast** in the spaces below:

1. John woke up really _____ to go surfing before he went to work.
2. Sorry, I have to leave _____ today. I have a doctor's appointment.
3. Pete was driving too _____ on the highway and got a speeding ticket.
4. The teacher spoke so _____ that no one could understand her.
5. My party started at 7, but some people came _____ and I wasn't ready yet, so I had to cook food as _____ as I could.
6. The morning seminar about opera was so boring that we left _____ and decided to have an _____ lunch.
7. We got to Disneyland too _____ and had to wait an hour until it finally opened. I love to ride Space Mountain because it is so _____!

Use **died** or **dead** in the spaces below:

1. I forgot to water my plants for 2 weeks and now they are all _____.
2. I forgot to water my plants for 2 weeks and now they have all _____.
3. The politician lied and claimed that thousands of _____ people voted.
4. A skydiver _____ when his parachute didn't open and he had been _____ for several days before his body was found.
5. I was so embarrassed that I almost _____ when I saw that my pants zipper was down during my TV interview.
6. I'm _____ when my dad finds out that I crashed his car. He's gonna kill me.
7. Over 1,500 people _____ when the mighty Titanic sank in 1912.
8. Why did you do that?! You could have _____! It was so dangerous!

Use **tell** or **teach** in the spaces below:

1. I need to contact you later, so could you _____ me your phone number?
2. My brother will _____ me to ride a bicycle on Saturday.
3. If you _____ me your big secret, I promise I won't _____ anyone.
4. My professor doesn't _____ us anything! He just reads his book and doesn't even _____ us what to do! He's so lazy!
5. I _____ Billy every time to lock his bicycle, but he didn't do it again!
I should take his bicycle to _____ him a lesson about locking it!
6. Could you _____ me what today's math homework is?
7. If you _____ my son how to swim, I'll _____ your son how to fish.