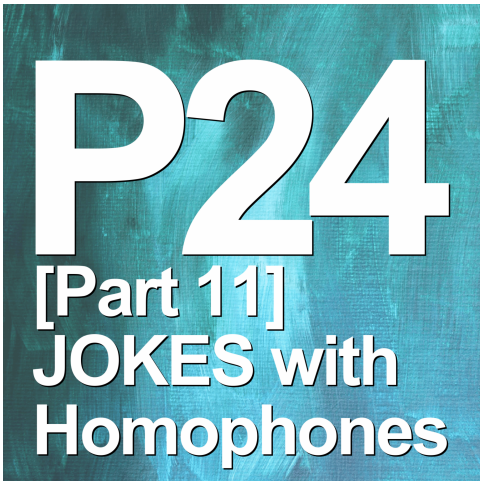
P24 [Part 11] Jokes with Homophones



Hello and welcome to P24 part 11. This is where we get into some jokes.

We've finally been through my big list of common homophones so we could stop there, but I've decided to add two more episodes. This one, and the next one.

This episode is going to focus on jokes. Actually this is where I started. I collected these jokes that contain homophones and I thought I'd make an episode of the podcast using them. Then I had the idea that I could broaden it to include some of the most common homophones, as well as the jokes. Well, that's where things got a bit carried away because of course there are loads of common homophones, so the list got really long.

But this is what I intended to do originally. This is a list of jokes that contain homophones, and these are new homophones that we haven't had yet in the series so far.

If you thought of other homophones that I didn't include in my list, maybe they're here, or maybe you'll hear some new ones that you didn't know before.

Here's what I'll do.

First, I'll just tell you the jokes, quite quickly. Let's just see if you get them.
Then I'll go through the homophones, explaining them like I've been doing.
Then I'll read out the jokes again (let's see if you get them this time) and break them down.
After that there will be the usual memory test and pronunciation drills, in part 12.

Explaining a joke is like dissecting a frog. You can learn from it, but the frog dies in the process.

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Jokes with homophones

The jokes

These are jokes in the public domain, rather than ones which are owned by comedians who use them in their acts. These are jokes which everyone shares and nobody seems to know where they came from or who wrote them originally. They're owned by everyone really.

1. Big horse: Your voice sounds a bit strange.
   Small horse: *Yes, I'm a little hoarse.*

2. What parts of a river can be eaten?
   The sauce and the currants.

3. First hunter: Have you ever hunted bear?
   Second hunter: *No, but I've been fishing in my shorts!*

4. What's the difference between a ball and a prince?
   One is thrown in the air and the other is heir to the throne!

5. Why did the vegetable transport ship sink?
   Because it was full of leeks.

6. Why did the doughnut maker quit his job?
   He was fed up with the hole business!

7. Why did the perfume arrive?
   Because it was scent!

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   Baker: *Because I knead the dough!*

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   Because there were so many knights!

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    When it's being towed!

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    The barman says "No, we only sell plain crisps".

12. First musician: My tuba's broken – how can I fix it?
    Second musician: *Why don't you use a tube of glue?*

13. When a girl falls over, why can't her brother help her up?
    Because he can't be a brother and assist her too!

14. First friend: This is my pet newt.
    Second friend: What's his name?
    First friend: Tiny.
    Second friend: Why do you call him that?
    First friend: *Because he's my newt*!

Homophones (going through them quite quickly this time)

1. Horse / hoarse
2. Sauce / source
3. Currants / currents
   Mnemonic: Currants which you eat look like ants. Every other usage is spelled current.
4. Bear / bare
5. Thrown / throne
6. Air / heir
7. Leek / leak
8. Hole / whole
9. Sent / scent
10. Need / knead
11. Nights / knights
12. Toad / towed
13. Plain / plane

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(Not really homophones) when several words can sound like one word due to connected speech, weak forms of auxiliaries, preps or pronouns

- Tuba / tube of
- A sister / assist her
- Minute / my newt

The jokes (again)

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That's it for part 11. I will be back for part 12 soon, in which we will do a memory test for these homophones and also the usual pronunciation drills.

Thank you for listening and for being a premium subscriber.

Speak to you again next time but for now, good bye!

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