

Dealing With Common Mistakes

■ Choose which sentences are correct from each of the two sets of choices below.

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Q4. a) I should call him today.
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Q5. a) I might go to the beach this weekend.
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■ Choose which of these is the correct translations. One option is a false friend and therefore incorrect.

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b) Asistir/To assist

Q7. a) Colegio/College
b) Colegio/Highschool

Q8. a) Constipado/Constipated
b) Constipado/A cold

Q9. a) Delito/Crime
b) Delito/Delighted

Q10. a) Desgracia/Mistake or Misfortune
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■ Choose which sentence is correct. One option uses a false friend.

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b) My files are always stored in my folder.

Q12. a) I always buy my ropes in Zara.
b) I always buy my clothes in Zara.

Q13. a) My mother told me to tidy my bedroom.
b) My mother told me to tidy my dormitory.

Q14. a) I sent the e-mail this morning.
b) I envied the e-mail this morning.

Q15. a) The company had a lot of exit last year.
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ANSWERS

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