

Confusing Words

Lesson 09 | **Select** or **Choose**

Select EXAMPLES

Example Sentences:

Bart and Xander were selected to go to America for the conference.

We must select the right beverage to wash down this meal.

The fashion designer is still selecting a model for this dress.

Have you selected a cake for your wedding?



*Tips for using **Select***

Use "Select" when you decide carefully among multiple items or people. It's also used in a formal context.

We must select candidates for the semi-finals.

Select the correct answers.

Example Dialogue:

Trixie : Has our boss selected people to attend the conference in France?

Yvonne : Not yet. To be honest, I really want to go.

Trixie : I don't. I don't feel like traveling this time of the year.

Yvonne : I heard that he was going to select someone from the A team.

DEFINITION:

SELECT: to choose the best or the most suitable one after evaluating carefully

Select | Selected | Selecting

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Choose EXAMPLES

Example Sentences:

Lea chose to buy flowers.

Axel will choose the color blue for her dress.

I was choosing foods when she came.

The girl was chosen to be the new cheerleader.



Tips for using **Choose**

Use "Choose" when you pick something based on your preferences. It is used in everyday conversation.

Will you just choose one of the dresses so that we can go home, I am tired.

Between being a programmer and a graphic designer, I chose the latter because it suits me better.

Example Dialogue:

Jun : There are simply too many options to choose from!

Logan : What are you talking about?

Jun : I just wanted to buy peanut butter for my kids, but there were twelve brands to choose from!

Logan : My son always chooses Skippy. Try it.

DEFINITION:

CHOOSE: to make a choice from a variety of options based on self-interest and preference

Choose | Chose | Chosen | Choosing

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PRACTICE

Answer **select** or **choose** (in the correct form) to complete the sentences.

1 | Which dress did she _____, the blue or silver one?

2 | Did Desiree _____ a video game yet?

3 | Please _____ from the menu above.

4 | I've finally _____ Bryan over George.

5 | There are so many brands to _____ from.

6 | Addie _____ not to attend her cousin's Bar Mitzvah party.

7 | The entertainment was specifically _____ for this kind of audience.

8 | Quiet, please! The leader is still _____ an acceptable candidate to replace him.

9 | The couple is still _____ a theme for their wedding.

10 | A tall, young, intelligent man was _____ to join the materials team.

APPLICATION:

Create your own sentences using **select** or **choose**.

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EXERCISE

Answer **select** or **choose** (in the correct form) to complete the sentences.

(Cynthia and Noel are making plans for their wedding.)

Cynthia : So what have we done so far?

Noel : Let me check the list. Well, we still have to _____ the cake and food for the reception. Have you _____ your maid of honor already?

Cynthia : Yes, it's Linda. What are the choices for the wedding cake?

Noel : There's red velvet and black forest. Why don't you _____ this one?

Cynthia : Red velvet, of course! It's my favorite.

Noel : OK, that's done. Now we need to _____ the food. Should we have a plate in or a buffet?

Cynthia : I thought our planner was _____ the menu? Wait, did you get to _____ a suit yet? Time's running out on that one. You need to make a decision.

APPLICATION:

Create your own dialogue using **select** or **choose** with your teacher.