

Word Choice – Exercise 12: *To, Too, and Two*

This handout accompanies Exercise 12 of **Grammar Bytes!** Get the answers by doing the interactive version of the exercise at this address: <http://chompchomp.com/exercises.htm>

Directions: Fill in the blanks with the appropriate choices—*to*, *too*, or *two*.

1. Because Kyle had eaten _____ pizzas for lunch, he was _____ full at practice _____ impress Coach Hayden, who was making football cuts that afternoon.
2. Christopher managed to soak his sister Julie with _____ water balloons because the lazy sitter was _____ involved in her afternoon soap operas _____ notice their aggressive play.
3. Applying makeup in the rearview mirror and driving over the speed limit were the _____ reasons that Officer Rodriguez decided _____ stop Clarissa. He then wrote a ticket that was _____ expensive for her tight budget.
4. At night, the _____ hamsters made _____ much noise running on their squeaky exercise wheel. Sam plans to return them _____ the pet store and fill the aquarium with goldfish instead.
5. The _____ puppies pounced on Felix's tail, but the cat ignored them as he was _____ aloof _____ play.
6. Jake bought _____ dozen roses for his girlfriend Cynthia, hoping that she wasn't _____ angry that he had driven _____ New Smyrna Beach to surf with his buddies.
7. Tina has _____ much bad luck! She bought _____ new pens for her final exam in International Politics. _____ her surprise, the test was multiple choice and required a pencil for the answer sheet.
8. _____ ponytails bobbed on the back of Brittney's head. They were _____ distracting _____ Eric, who sat mesmerized like a cat watching the mini blind cord swaying in the breeze through an open window.
9. Sienna ordered _____ extra shots of espresso in her cappuccino. Joshua would have enjoyed the extra caffeine _____, but didn't want his hands _____ shake in chemistry lab that afternoon.
10. _____ cars ahead of Wanda was an idiot on a cell phone who was _____ distracted by the conversation _____ realize the light had changed.

11. Arriving _____ late to take the quiz, Amy calculated the zero into her average. She realized that she would need _____ 100s if she hoped _____ have the minimum C- to pass the course.
12. When Martha counted only _____ dollars in her wallet, she knew that she was _____ broke for a sandwich and would have _____ settle for potato chips and a canned soda for lunch.
13. Mrs. Pickle, the librarian who is _____ mean _____ approach, scowled when we removed the _____ large books on Renaissance art from the reference shelves.
14. Like everyone else in my organic chemistry class, I _____ want a good grade, but I refuse to bribe the lab assistant with _____ jelly donuts for extra time _____ finish this week's experiment.
15. _____ tired _____ clean up, Harry left the _____ half-eaten pizzas on the kitchen counter even though he knew Felix the cat would hop up and eat the pepperoni slices.
16. The bottle cap was _____ tight _____ loosen by hand, so Shane used his teeth, chipping _____ of them in the process.
17. _____ neglected plants were drooping on the kitchen window ledge. Kelly, who was _____ busy _____ notice, gulped a glass of cool water.
18. Ronnie and Tyler were _____ busy doing math homework in the back row _____ take notes on Mrs. Smith's Shakespeare lecture. She will happily reward their behavior with _____ Fs on the next exam.
19. Attempting _____ eat more fruit and vegetables each day, Logan ordered a salad for lunch. _____ hours later, his stomach was growling _____ loudly for Logan to concentrate, so he bought a burger and fries to quiet the noise.
20. Her _____ roommates were planning _____ eat pizza at Antonio's. Sylvia wanted to go _____ but knew an A on her psychology exam would be more pleasurable than hot cheese and sauce on her tongue.



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