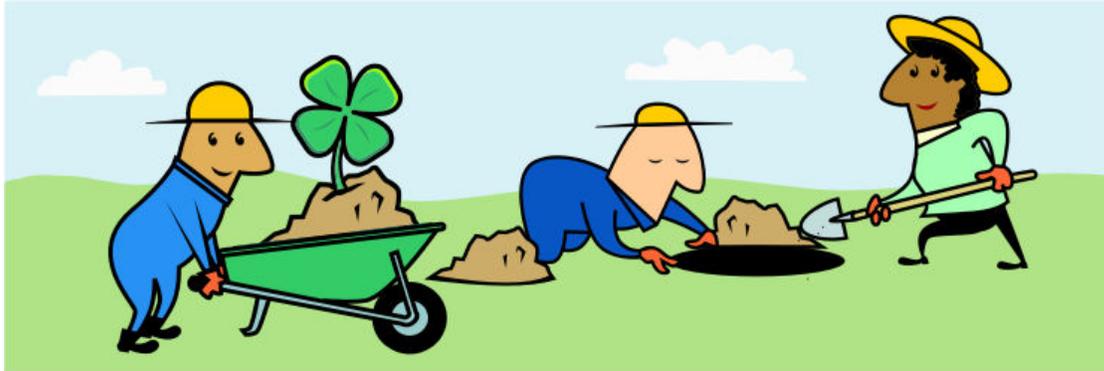


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Language is an Art

Two words that are commonly confused and misused are - affect and effect.

Affect is usually a verb (action), and effect is usually a noun (thing)

Example: The noise from my brother's sound system will affect my ability to get good night's sleep.

Example: Some drugs can have an unexpected side effect.

Quote

The difference between school and life? In school, you're taught a lesson and then given a test. In life, you're given a test that teaches you a lesson.

Tom Bodett

Teaching Tip - Test Taking

Make sure your students know to:

- Eat breakfast. They can think better on a full stomach.
- Have everything they'll need such as calculator, scratch paper, pencils.
- Read the instructions. Mistakes are made because they did not read the instructions.
- Scan through the test and answer the easier questions first. It's a confidence builder.
- Use the process of elimination to help with multiple choice questions.
- Check their answers to make sure they did not make careless mistakes. Many questions are missed due to careless mistakes.

Grin

Notice in the *News* of a local district: Unfortunately, the school board was forced to cut fifteen percent off all teachers.



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