



100 Words Almost Everyone Mixes Up or Mangles

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HOUGHTON MIFFLIN, United States, 2010. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 201 x 114 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. You mean delegate, not relegate, right? I think the word is cachet, not cache. At one time or another we've all suffered the embarrassment of having our remarks corrected by a family member, colleague, or stranger. 100 Words Almost Everyone Mixes Up or Mangles presents fifty pairs of words that people have trouble getting right and keeping straight--words that tend to get corrected when we're least expecting it. These words include near-synonyms--words with subtle but important distinctions in meaning--like baleful vs. baneful, and effectual vs. efficacious. Other pairings bring together notorious sound-alikes, like faze (bother) vs. phase (stage), pour (put in fluid) vs. pore (read closely), and waive (forgo) vs. wave (say hello). The book also addresses some classic spelling blunders and nonwords, like beyond the pail, full reign, unjust, and inobtrusive. Each word has a definition and a pronunciation, and most have etymologies explaining the word's origin. The mix-ups themselves are described in fun-to-read notes that provide clear solutions to help readers avoid making needless, uncomfortable gaffes. 100 Words Almost Everyone Mixes Up or Mangles gives readers...

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