Using Homonyms

Homonyms are words that sound alike.

EXAMPLES:  a. for...four        b. seen...scene

Complete each sentence with the correct homonym.

1. sleigh...slay
   a. The knight promised to ______ slay ______ the dragon for the princess.
   b. When it snows, we ride the ______ ______ through the fields.

2. herd...heard
   a. Gene thought he ______ ______ someone tap on the window.
   b. We watch the ______ ______ of elephants graze.

3. berth...birth
   a. A ______ ______ is a bed on a train.
   b. Our dog gave ______ ______ to six puppies last week.

4. seam...seem
   a. The ______ ______ of my jacket has ripped apart.
   b. You ______ ______ to have lost interest in the project.

5. real...reel
   a. We saw a ______ ______ gorilla at the zoo yesterday.
   b. Toby wants a new rod and ______ ______ for Christmas.

6. route...root
   a. What ______ ______ will you be taking to Chicago?
   b. Too much fertilizer can kill the ______ ______ of the plant.

7. flea...flee
   a. The people were forced to ______ ______ from their homes.
   b. A ______ ______ lands backwards when it jumps.

8. suite...sweet
   a. The icing on my birthday cake was too ______ ______.
   b. Henry rented a ______ ______ on the top floor of the hotel.

9. toe...tow
   a. I hit my big ______ ______ against the leg of the table.
   b. The officer told him to ______ ______ the car to the station.

10. altar...alter
    a. We must ______ ______ our plans for the new project.
    b. The ______ ______ was decorated with roses and candles.

11. heel...heal
    a. The ______ ______ of my shoe is covered with paint.
    b. We must wait for the wound to ______ ______ completely.

12. strait...straight
    a. First draw a ______ ______ line across the page.
    b. The captain steered the ship through the ______ ______.