Commonly Confused Words

The term “commonly confused words” refers to words that have similar sounds or similar spellings but different meanings, or words that have similar meanings but different uses.

- **Accept** means to receive.
- **Except** means to exclude.

- **Affect** means to have an effect on.
- **Effect** means a result, or to cause something to happen.

- **Quite** means entirely.
- **Quiet** means silent.

- **Then** is used to refer to a time in the past or future.
- **Than** is used to compare two different objects.

- **Beside** means next to something.
- **Besides** means in addition to something.

- **All ready** means completely prepared.
- **Already** means before the present time.