Commonly Confused Words: They’re / Their / There

Purpose: Upon completion of this activity, students will understand the difference between the words “there,” “their,” and “they’re.” This DLA should take approximately 30 to 45 minutes to complete.

1. Go to: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zbRd3B6eZUM

2. Watch the video entitled “The difference between There, Their and They’re. - English Grammar Lesson.” To hear the video, you will need headphones, which can be checked out from the WRC’s reception desk.

3. When you finish watching the video, take the test by clicking the link below the video. How many of the questions did you get wrong? _____ Write the sentences you got wrong on the back of this sheet.

4. Answer the following questions:
   A. The word they’re is a ____________ of the words __________ and __________.
   B. What part of speech is they? _________________.
   C. The word there indicates a specific ________________.
   D. There can be an adverb or a ________________.
   E. What part of speech is their? _________________.

4. On the back of this sheet, write six original sentences—two sentences for each of the words under discussion.

5. Take this sheet to a tutor or instructor on duty for a review of your sentences and the test questions you got wrong. Correct any errors and determine why they were made. Finally, ask this person to sign below.

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Signature                          Date