

Clues for
Commonly
Confused Words

there/ their/ they're

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there	Adverb= at that place. We were <u>there</u> at three o'clock.
their	Possessive form of they; belonging to them. The performers made <u>their</u> own costumes.
they're	Contraction of they are. They're going with us to the jazz festival.

There/Their/They're: Quick Tips

there	This spelling indicates placement or position.
there	Imagine this spelling without the 't'.
here	Doesn't the word 'here' express placement too? Yes, it does! This is your clue to use this spelling when expressing location.

There/Their/They're: Quick Clues

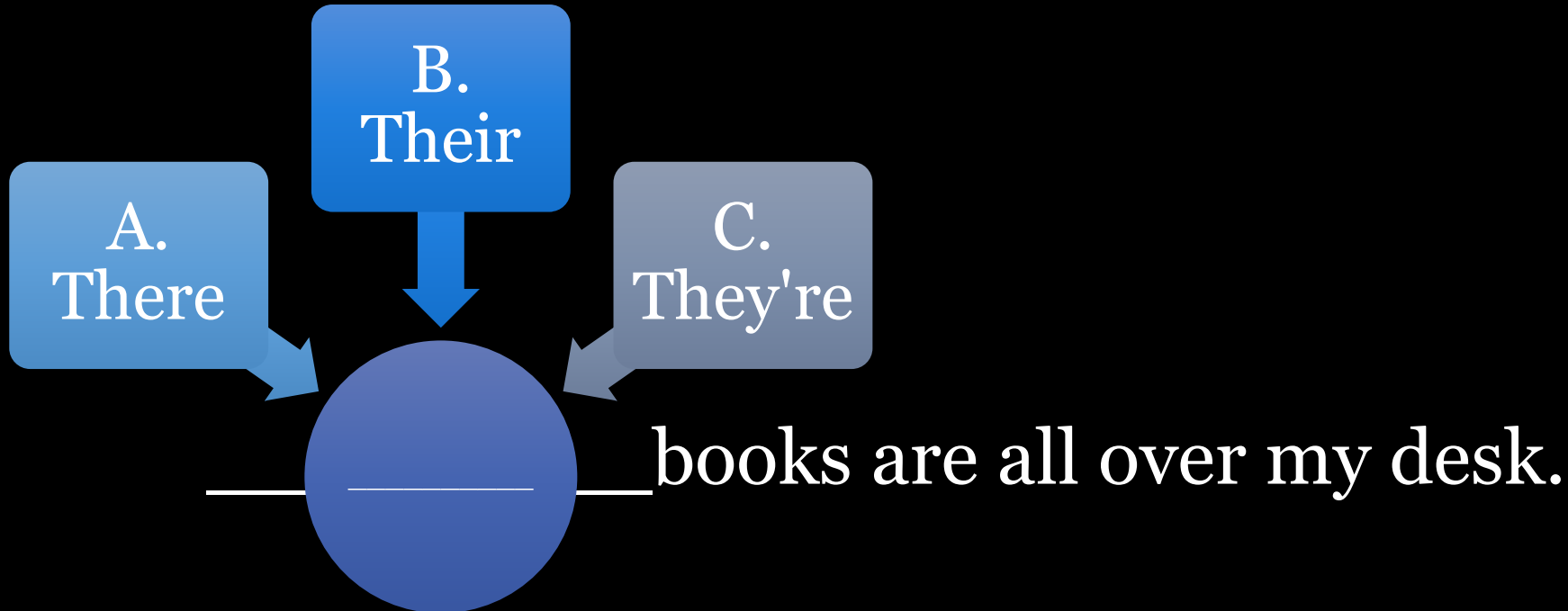
<p>their</p>	<p>This spelling indicates ownership (that something belongs to someone).</p>
<p>their</p>	<p>Imagine this spelling without the 't'.</p>
<p>heir</p>	<p>The word 'heir' means 'an inheritor' or next in line. This is your clue to use this spelling when expressing ownership!</p>

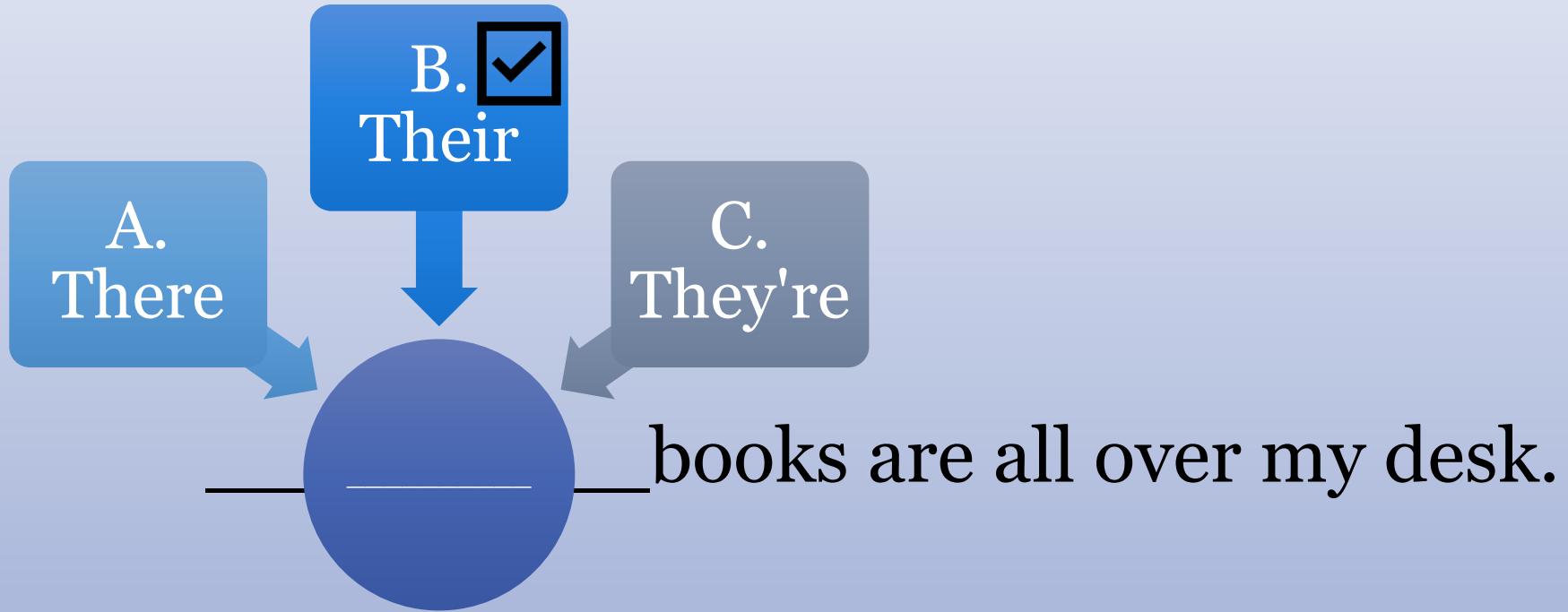
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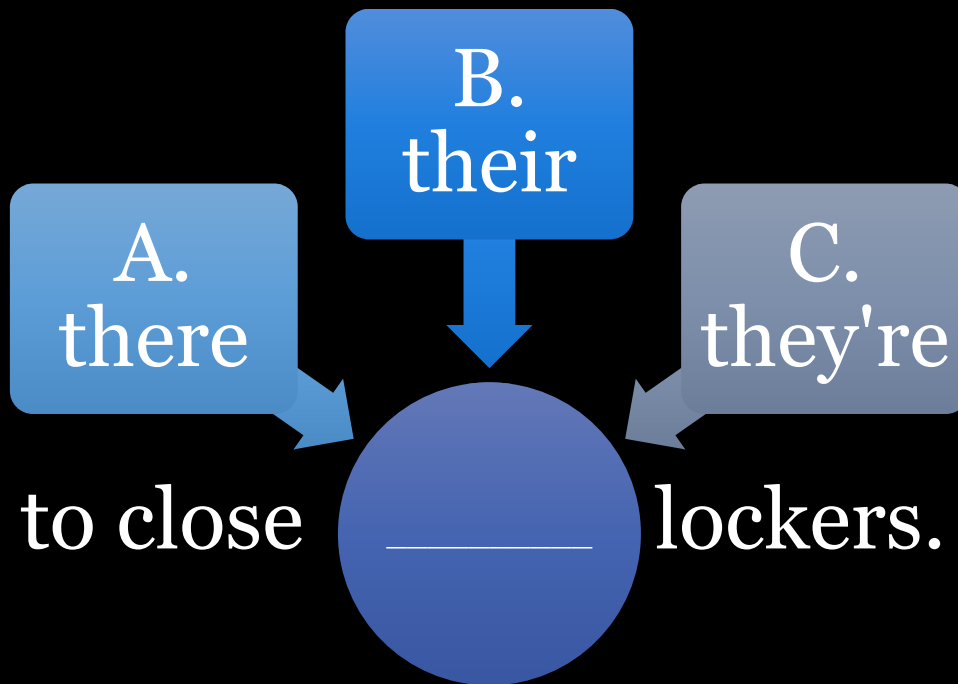
<p>they're</p>	<p>This spelling indicates ownership (that something belongs to someone).</p>
<p>theyxre</p>	<p>Imagine this spelling without the contraction (apostrophe replacing the 'a').</p>
<p>they are</p>	<p>Read the sentence & replace the contraction with the words "they are". This is the right spelling if the sentence makes sense reading without the contraction.</p>

There/Their/They're- More Examples

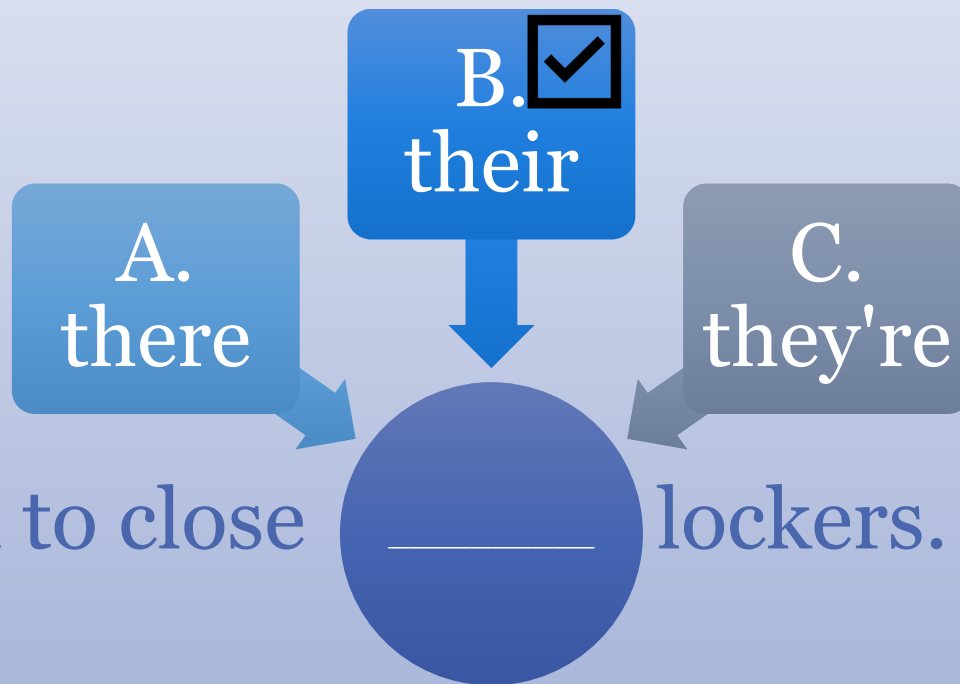
there	<u>There</u> are more Legos on the floor than I can clean up.
Their	<u>Their</u> expectations are ridiculous!
they're	I want a French Bulldog since <u>they're</u> so cute.







They neglected to close _____ lockers.



A.
there

B.
their

C.
they're

As soon as _____ printed, we will ship the brochures.

A.
there

B.
their

C.
they're

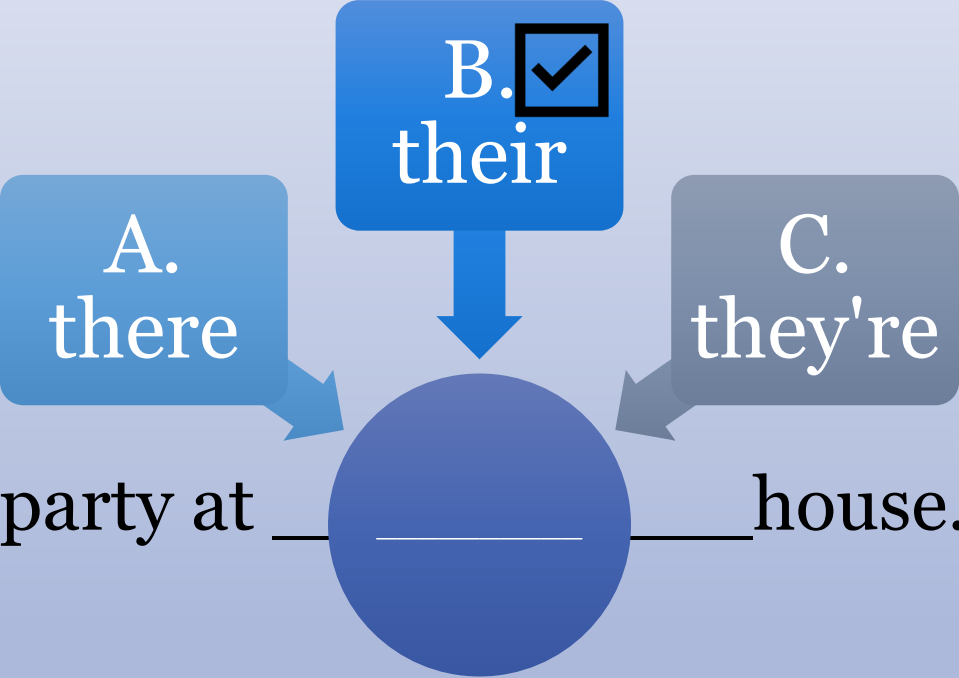
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Raul and Ken are my best friends; I had a party at _____ house.



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their

C.
they're

I searched over _____ for my friends but I cannot find them.

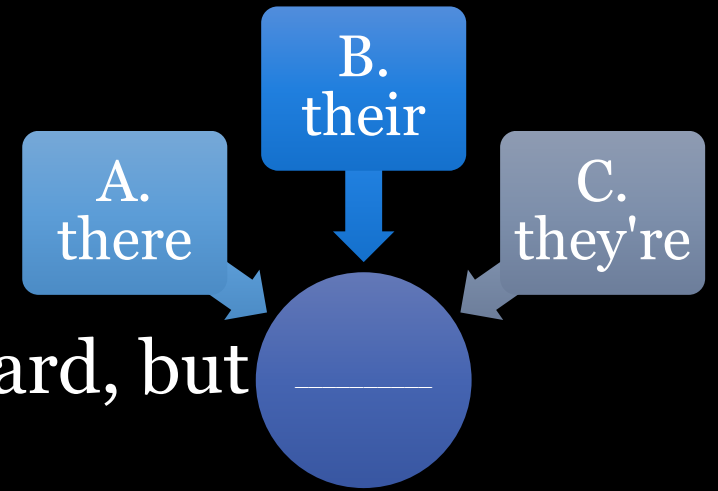
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