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**LED**

VS.

**LEAD**

The word *led* is the past participle of "to lead," and it means that someone or something has been deliberately guided.



This version of the word *lead* refers to the metal lead. The same word can be used as a verb, "to lead," and in that case it rhymes with "seed" and "bead." As a verb it means to intentionally guide, conduct, or steer.



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**LESS**

VS.

**FEWER**

If there is a substance, idea, or thing that can't be separated and counted, then when some of it is lost, there is less of it.



There is a simple rule: If items can be counted, no matter what they are, when their number goes down, there are fewer of them.



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**LIE**

VS.

**LAY**

"To lie down" means to recline: to do that oneself, without performing the action on someone or something else.



"To lay" means to perform the action of setting an object, or even a person, down: to effectively make someone or something else recline or rest.

