

Easily Confused Words: Rise vs. Raise

Forms and Meanings

RISE (intransitive = has no object)	RAISE (transitive = takes an object)
go up to a higher position; increase	move something upwards; increase something; care for; mention
rise The sun rises in the East.	raise Raise your hand if you have a question.
rose Smoke rose from the campfire.	raised I raised my voice to be heard.
risen The number people working from home has risen.	raised They raised the price by \$10.
rising Crime in this area is rising.	raising Tammy is raising two children on her own.

TASK A. Find and correct any errors.

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TASK B. Describe each photo in detail. Use at least one of the verbs in [brackets].



[rise, raise]

1.
What is going to happen?



[rise, raise]

2.
Which statue is this? What makes it memorable?

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TASK A. Answers.

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TASK B. Possible answers.

1. This is parasailing. The boat will go fast, and the people with the parachute will rise up in the sky. The wind will carry them. They can rise really high.
2. That's the Statue of Liberty. She's holding a tablet in her left arm, and she's raising a torch with her right hand.