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Student's explanation will vary. Example of correct explanations:

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A play on "storeys" (floors of a building) vs. "stories" (books).

3. I used to be a baker, but I couldn't make enough doe. dough

A play on "doe" (a female deer) vs. "dough" (money/bread).

4. The golfer brought two pairs of pants in case he got a whole-in-one. hole-in-one

A play on "whole" (complete) vs. a "hole" in golf.

5. The musician was a great worker because he always took knots. notes

A play on "knots" (ties) vs. musical "notes."

6. The pirate was a great singer because he could hit the high Cs. seas

A play on "Cs" (musical note) vs. "seas" (the ocean).

7. The carpenter was very tired because he was bored. board

A play on feeling "bored" (uninterested) vs. wooden "board".

8. The king's favorite weather is rain-y days. reign-y

A play on "rainy" weather vs. a king's "reign."