

CORRECTION SYMBOLS

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abt : about

ag/pr : agreement/pr--lack of agreement between pronoun and referent

ag/sw : agreement/sv--lack of agreement between subject and verb

avoid : avoid using the underlined words or phrases

awk : awkward--rewrite using more idiomatic English

cap : capital--capitalize underlined word

c : case--wrong pronoun case

cont : contraction--avoid using contractions

d : diction--select a word that is exact, idiomatic, and fresh

d/s : diction/slang--do not use slang in formal writing

d/v : diction/specific--word is too vague or general; use a more specific word

d/t : diction/trite--do not use trite expressions or words

d/w : diction/wrong word--the word chosen says something other than what the writer means

dm : dangling modifiers--modifier does not refer clearly and logically to some word in the sentence

frag : fragment--incomplete group of words

mm : misplaced modifiers--adjectives or adjective phrase should be placed as close as possible to the word modified

no cap : do not capitalize--underlined word should be in lower case

non sequitur : does not follow--faculty logic, sentence does not follow assertions of preceeding

sentence(s)

- no num* : no number--spell out the number
- num* : number--write the number using numerals
- ¶* : paragraph--begin a new paragraph
- pass* : passive voice--change the sentence to the active voice
- pv* : point of view--avoid using "you" or "I"
- ref* : reference--ambiguous or incorrect referent
- rewrite* : rewrite--badly written sentence; rewrite it
- no /run on* : run on--incorrect joining of 2 independent clauses
- sp* : spelling--misspelled word
- sub* : subordination--subordinate the sentences marked
- t* : tense--incorrect tense used
- trans* : transition--need to provide a smooth transition between the 2 sentences
- un fur* : unnecessary question
- var* : variety--change the sentence patterns
- w* : wordiness--eliminate some words
- w/* : with
- /* : unnecessary punctuation
- //* : parallelism--lack of parallel structure
- ^* : punctuation mark should be inserted