

101* COMMON MISTAKES

(*almost)**

SPELLING

★ whit

→ with

★ tecnology

→ technology

★ rappresent

→ represent

★ stregnht

→ strength

★ heartquake

→ earthquake

★ hearthquake

→ earthquake

★ heartattack

→ earthquake

ARTICLES

- ★ Internet - when used as a noun, it ALWAYS takes the definite article (“the”)
 - I saw it on *the* internet. Do you have *the* internet on your tablet? Tim Berners Lee invented *the* internet.
- ★ War, discrimination, persecution, etc. only take an article when talking about specific examples
 - He escaped *the* war *in* Syria. *The* persecution of her race forced her to leave the country. They might have suffered discrimination. I hate war.

PREPOSITIONS

- ★ Looking *at*
- ★ Searching / looking *for*
- ★ Escape something / escape *from* something

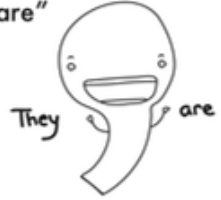
VOCABULARY

- ★ Seeing vs Looking at vs Watching
- ★ Holding vs Taking
- ★ Standing vs Staying
- ★ Saying vs Telling
- ★ They vs Their vs They're
- ★ This vs These
- ★ Who vs That
- ★ Guys
- ★ Jeans vs Denim

Choose the ~~Write~~ Word!
Right

They're: contraction of "they are"

Example: Mr. Apostrophe brings words together so **they're** easier to say!



There: in, at, or to that place

Where did Mr. Apostrophe Go?



He's over there!



HINT:

"**There**" contains the word "here." If you can replace "there" with "here," you're using the right word!

Their: belonging to people or things previously mentioned (or otherwise easily identified)

HINT:

"**Their**" contains the word "heir." An heir possesses the rights to one's property upon death, and "their" is a possessive adjective.

Example: The people worried about **their** king and his lack of a proper heir to the throne.



COMMON EXPRESSIONS

- ★ “We are 8”, “they are many” → “there are 8 of us”, “there are many of them”
- ★ “They haven’t” → “they haven’t got a/any”
- ★ “For + base form” → “to / in order to + base form”
- ★ “In these years” / “in this period” → “at the moment” / “right now”

STRUCTURES

- ★ “Or... or” → “either... or”
- ★ Double subjects – “Anna she’s happy”, “the weather it’s hot”
- ★ Probably – before the main verb!
 - “probably they are at school”, “probably he is listening to music”, “probably she has ridden a horse before”
- ★ ‘But’ – one per sentence: “I like reading biographies but I don’t only read them but I also read romance books” → “I like reading biographies but I also read other genres/books/types of books such as romance”

STRUCTURES CONTINUED...

- ★ Plural subjects + singular objects: “they are wearing a coat”, “they are sitting on a chair” → “they are wearing coats”, “they are sitting on chairs”

Advanced

- ★ “They/their” as a gender neutral singular pronoun: “Someone has left *their* coat – I hope *they* come back to get it”
- ★ Use of ... and “etc”

(**ACTUALLY ONLY 29 COMMON MISTAKES)