



# THE MOST COMMON GRAMMATICAL ERRORS IN STUDENT WRITING

## RUN-ON SENTENCES

This paper contains numerous errors in grammar, it is important to correct these.

## SENTENCE FRAGMENTS

Because I smelled fire

## PARALLEL DECONSTRUCTION

She loves to read, ski, and balancing a spoon on her nose.

## PRONOUN CASE & CONFUSION

Susan and Sally took her sister and I to the park.

## COMMA CRIMES

To sum up I bought milk eggs bread and bananas at the store.

## SUBJECT-VERB DISAGREEMENT

My family are hilarious.

## SEMI COLON VS THE COLON

Tourists avoided New York in the 1970s for several reasons; they considered it unclean, parts of the city; including a large section of the subway system, were unsafe; and accommodation at a reasonably comfortable hotel was very expensive.

## APOSTROPHE ATROCITIES

Susans sister wont visit us.

## COMMONLY CONFUSED WORDS

Its not unusual to confuse its and its, which effects weather your communicating affectively.

## PASSIVE VOICE

The outdoor education program was cancelled.

## CAPITALIZATION CRIMES

Be careful as to which Words you decide to Capitalize.

## MISPLACED, DANGLING, AND SQUINTING MODIFIERS

The minister chatted briefly about the cost of living with several women.

## QUIXOTIC QUOTATION MARKS

Some people think 'single quotation marks' are the same as "double quotation marks".

## DASH DON'TS

It's best to avoid the dash - like this - in academic writing.



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