

English Grammar Workshop

Course #: G-100 Duration: 2 days

Prerequisites

None.

Details

Are your grammar, punctuation, and writing skills hurting your professional image? Or is English your second language, and you could benefit from a grammar review? If you communicate in writing (letters, memos, reports, emails, etc.), you will benefit from this intensive, two-day course that focuses on the critical flaws hindering today's business professionals.

Not only do we have an in-depth discussion of each grammar rule, but we show many examples AND do hands-on practice exercises designed to drill the concept into your memory. The goal is to eliminate your bad grammar habits and improve your communication skills!

Software Needed

None

Outline

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- Understanding Sentence Structure and Avoiding Common Errors
 - o Sentences, Clauses and Phrases
 - Types of Sentences
 - Common Errors
 - Fragments
 - o Run-On Sentences
- Nouns and Pronouns
 - Types of Nouns and Capitalization
 - Number
 - Noun Usage
 - Personal Pronouns and Common Problems
 - Using the Correct Form
 - Clear Pronoun References
 - o Agreement and Inclusive Language
 - Interrogative Pronouns and Common Problems
 - Who/Whom
 - Relative Pronouns and Common Problems
 - Who/Whom, Whoever/Whomever
 - Clear Pronoun References
 - Possessive Pronouns and Common Problems

- Compound Pronouns and Common Problems
- Indefinite Pronouns and Common Problems

Verbs

- o Types of Verbs
- Commonly Misused Verbs
- Subject-Verb Agreement
- Verb Tenses
- o Shifting Verb Tenses
- o Active and Passive Voice
- Using the Subjunctive
- Infinitives and Infinitive Phrases
- Gerunds and Participles
- Common Errors with Participles

• Words That Modify

- Adjectives
- Direct and Indirect Articles
- o Correct Placement of Adjectives and Adjectival Phrases and Clauses (Dangling Modifiers)
- Degrees of Adjectives
- Adverbs
- Correct Placement of Adverbs

• Connectors and Interjections

- Prepositions and Prepositional Phrases
- Commonly Confused Prepositions
- Conjunctions
- Common Problems with Conjunctions
- o Parallel Structure
- Conjunctive Adverbs
- o Common Problems with Conjunctive Adverbs
- Interjections

• Punctuation

- End marks
- Commas
 - Items in a Series
 - o Independent Clauses
 - With Adverbial Clauses
 - Restrictive and Nonrestrictive Clauses
 - Introductory Elements
 - Appositives and Short Phrases
 - Interrupters and Parenthetical Elements
- o Other Punctuation
- o Commonly Misused Words

• The Building Blocks of Good Writing

- The Sentence—A Review of Key Concepts
- Choosing Words for Your Audience
- · The Paragraph
- · Creating a Unified Work