

Library, Room L204 English, Writing & ESL

The Learning Centre

Grammar Skills Sentence Structure Practice II

Instructions

Read the following sentences and:

- Identify whether each sentence is grammatically correct (C) or incorrect (I)
- ✤ Identify which of the following grammar errors is occurring:

faulty subject-verb agreementunclear pronounshift in perspectivefaulty parallel structuredangling modifiermisplaced modifierfaulty predicationcomma splicefaulty logical relations between clauses

- Correct the error
- Ex. My favourite sports are badminton, soccer and playing basketball.

Correct/Incorrect: I

Grammar error: faulty parallel structure

Correction: My favourite sports and badminton, soccer and basketball.

Sentences

1. Bo's mom was disappointed in him, he was a bully.

Correct/Incorrect:

Grammar error:

Correction:

2. Although Lydia wants her son to do well in school, she encourages him to finish his homework on time.

Correct/Incorrect:

Grammar error:

Correction:

3. Skiing down the slippery hill, the ice nearly made Joanne fall.

Correct/Incorrect:

Grammar error:

Correction:

4. *Cars*, the movie, are my son's favourite thing to watch during our Friday night movie marathons.

Correct/Incorrect:

Grammar error:

Correction:

5. The man in the yellow jacket walked next to a woman in a green jacket.

Correct/Incorrect:

Grammar error:

Correction:

6. In *The Yellow Wallpaper*, the themes characterize the main character, Jane, as someone with a mental illness.

Correct/Incorrect:

Grammar error:

Correction:

7. Frances caught the flu last Wednesday and gets over it quickly – just in time to write her exam on Friday.

Correct/Incorrect:

Grammar error:

Correction:

8. The woman struggled as she was chased by a dog in heels.

Correct/Incorrect: Grammar error: Correction:

9. I think daycare workers should be required to have an Early Childhood Education certificate, it would prepare the workers to keep the children safe.

Correct/Incorrect:

Grammar error:

Correction:

10. Although Henry wanted to visit his hometown, he was afraid he might run into his high school girlfriend.

Correct/Incorrect:

Grammar error:

Correction:

11. Because Tracy is more interested in Nigel than she is in Trevor, she avoids his flirty glances in the hallways at school.

Correct/Incorrect:

Grammar error:

Correction: