

Common Errors to Avoid

- Use of pronouns
 - I, You, Us, We, Them, Our, Me, My
- Use of Contractions
 - Don't, Isn't, They're, ain't
- Use of Texting Language
 - U, lol, idk, btw, smh, wtf
- Use of Colloquial language/Slang
 - "A lot of people get conned."
 - "College students get their stuffed jacked all the time."
 - "The amount of time he received was messed up."
 - "People fight because they get trashed."
- Grammar/punctuation/structural/syntax errors/spelling.
 - "What had happened was"
 - Irregardless
 - Unnormal
- Incorrect sentence structure/Informal conversational voice.
 - "You know like you said in class."
 - "Anyway, getting back to the point of this assignment."
 - "You know what I'm saying."
- Ambiguous/Vague statements/Absolutes
 - ALL PEOPLE, ALWAYS/NEVER, SOMEONE, SOME PLACE, SOME TIME
 - Use of profanity and offensive language
- Unsupported statements/Biased Statements/ Opinions
- In-text citation errors (see APA)
- Reference format errors (see APA)
 - Use of URLs as a citation