

## Error Code

When you receive writing back from your teacher, there will be notes for correction.

| grammar errors                    |  | code |
|-----------------------------------|--|------|
| <b>capital letter mistake</b>     | Malala was born in Northern <u>pakistan</u> .                | cap. |
| <b>spelling error</b>             | My friend left the party because he didn't <u>fell</u> well. | sp.  |
| <b>subject-verb error</b>         | She enjoys sweets. She especially like <u>ice</u> cream.     | s-v  |
| <b>singular/plural noun error</b> | There are too many <u>gun</u> in America.                    | s/p  |
| <b>verb tense error</b>           | In 2012 she <u>attends</u> a school in Osaka.                | T    |
| <b>wrong word(s) used</b>         | She often enjoyed going to <u>a live</u> with her friends.   | ww   |
| <b>wrong word form</b>            | FedEx is the name of a <u>deliver</u> company in America.    | wf   |
| <b>word order error</b>           | Malala <u>back went</u> home after school.                   | wo   |
| <b>missing word(s)</b>            | What time will you arrive at <u>party</u> ?                  | γ    |
| <b>meaning unclear</b>            | <u>He and laughing</u> makes us nothing.                     | ?    |

- The most common missing word (γ) error is forgetting to add “a” or “the” to a sentence.
- Most wrong word form (wf) errors can be corrected by simply changing a noun to a verb or adjective.
- Wrong word (ww) mistakes are often the result of translating Japanese directly into English. If you used a dictionary to translate something and the teacher has written “ww”, use your dictionary to find another word, or try writing a simpler sentence.
- Most verb tense (T) errors are from students forgetting to used the past tense.
- If the meaning of your writing is unclear (?), try to think of simple English to communicate your meaning.

1. What kind of errors are these? Write the proper code:

- A. Both of my sisters sings the blues at the Rainbow Lounge.  
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- B. There are many old building on campus.
- C. Before I started university, I live in Sendai.
- D. That sounds interesting very.
- E. I am going to go to the live next week.
- F. When I was a child, I often went to the beech on weekends.
- G. When I was a child, I often went to the beach on Weekends.
- H. He was a slowly runner.
- I. I am going to go the concert next week.
- J. Someday likes nowhere to go.

2. This text contains 7 errors. Find the errors, underline them and write the error code underneath. One has been done for you.

Al Gore have been passionate about the environments throughout his career  
S-V  
as a politician. He held the first US governmental meetings on climate  
change and globe warming in the 1970s. In 1989, he writes an article for the  
Washington Post, warning that “The world's forests are being destroyed; an  
enormous hole is oppening in the ozone layer.” In 1992, he wrote best-  
selling book called earth in Balance, in which he described environmental  
problems and solutions proposed.