

Review C: Using Capital Letters

EXERCISE Circle each letter that is incorrectly capitalized.

Example 1. Many barges and ships pass through the panama canal.

1. Juniors at elkton high school must take world history.
2. The larkspur hotel is just north of an exit on the turnpike.
3. The poet t. s. Eliot wrote the poem “The love Song of j. Alfred Prufrock.”
4. The planets Saturn and jupiter are much larger than Earth.
5. My uncle Patrick works as a dentist in missouri.
6. On tuesday, brazilians will vote for a new president.
7. Drive west on Third avenue until you come to the Burger Barn.
8. We saw a program about the planet mercury last Sunday night.
9. Celine Dion sang “o Canada.”
10. Robin Williams played a modern peter pan in the movie *hook*.
11. The birthday of queen Elizabeth II is celebrated with a Parade in the united kingdom.
12. The window of blum’s bakery was full of italian bread and french pastries.
13. Tennessee williams, a playwright from the south, wrote *The Night Of the Iguana*.
14. I read an article about the persian gulf war in *The Philadelphia Inquirer*.
15. Babe ruth was a great baseball Player for the new york Yankees.
16. Native American indians joined the Pilgrims at the first thanksgiving feast.
17. At certain points in its orbit, Pluto is the farthest planet from the Sun.
18. The british composer Andrew lloyd-Webber wrote the musical play *The Phantom Of the Opera*.
19. Did you read Ellen Goodman’s column in the sunday *boston globe*?
20. The butler insurance company has its Headquarters in akron.

Proofreading Application: Letter

Good writers are generally good proofreaders. Readers tend to admire and trust writing that is error-free. Make sure that you correct all errors in grammar, usage, spelling, capitalization, and punctuation in your writing. Your readers will have more confidence in your words if you have done your best to proofread carefully.

Capitalization has many functions in writing: It announces the beginning of a sentence; it indicates a proper noun; and it is used in the salutation and closing of a letter.

PROOFREADING ACTIVITY

Find and correct the errors in capitalization. Use proofreading symbols to make your corrections.

Example My ~~M~~other has always wanted to take a european vacation.

dear beth,

Today, we arrived in london. We flew out of John F. Kennedy airport in new york and landed at heathrow airport in london. We took the Underground, which is the name of the subway system, to our Hotel. After checking in, we were ready for some sightseeing.

First, we went to see buckingham palace, where queen elizabeth II lives. My sister, lisa, took my picture in front of its gates. Then, we visited westminster abbey. The english kings and queens have been crowned there since 1066! Afterward, we went to the tower of london, where the Crown Jewels are housed. We saw not only fabulous crowns, scepters, and swords, but golden saltcellars and spoons as well. By the time we were finished there, we were tired and went back to the Hotel.

We are resting up tonight for another busy day tomorrow. In the morning we are going to great russell street to visit the british museum. Then, in the afternoon we are going to the london zoo. I hear it has a wide variety of animals.

your friend,

Anne