

WRITE-LOGIC'S FOCUSED eLEARNING INTENSIVES

FOCUS ON GRAMMAR * FOCUS ON PUNCTUATION

Write-Logic's Intensives address specific writing-training needs. Each course is similar to our eLearning technical-writing program in two important ways:

- Instruction is provided via eLearning, thereby negating the need for classroom attendance.
- The training materials have been customized for those in civil engineering, the environmental sciences, construction, and related fields.

Focus on Grammar

Focus on Grammar improves each participant's ability to create sentences free of grammatical errors by focusing on the following objectives:

- Place modifying words carefully to avoid dangling phrases and misplaced modifiers
- Ensure a clear connection exists between a pronoun and its antecedent
- Create parallel structure among listed items or other sentence elements to enhance sentence "flow"
- Ensure pronouns agree in person and number with the nouns they replace
- Determine if subjects and their verbs agree in person and number

Program Requirements

Participants submit the following course materials for review:

- An assessment of their knowledge of standard grammar use in American English (AmE)
- Exercises devised by Write-Logic
- A writing assignment of their own

Feedback is provided by Write-Logic on the strengths and error-patterns noted in the participant's ability to produce text free of grammar errors. Feedback is also provided on an assessment of the participant's knowledge of AmE grammar usage.

Focus on Punctuation

Focus on Punctuation improves each participant's ability to create sentences free of punctuation errors by focusing on the following objectives:

- Review the rules for forming the possessive of singular and plural nouns
- Discuss the five rules for comma usage
- Avoid the most common comma errors, the comma splice and the run-on sentence
- Identify the difference in emphasis between parentheses and dashes
- Review the correct uses of hyphens, colons, and semicolons

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