

## MATERIAL COVERED

The English 10 course is divided into three main sections:

### Mechanics

- Common Grammar Errors, Part I
- Common Grammar Errors, Part II

### Writing

- Paragraph Writing
- Essay Outlining
- The Basic Five Paragraph Essay

### Reading

- Analysing News Articles
- Short Stories
- Poetry
- Novel Study

## TEXTBOOK

The course uses the following text:

*Reading and Writing for Success*  
*Sightlines*

ISBN 0-7717-0197-8  
ISBN 0-13-082171-3

## SPELLING

Spelling is important! Be prepared to lose marks if you are a poor speller. It is recommended that all work you submit is typed on the computer and spell checked. This method is *not* infallible, though, but it will catch the most obvious misspelled words and typos! Using a dictionary will also help.

## GRADING

This course works on a mastery system. You must pass the mastery tests in each unit to the 80% level before you can go on. In addition, there are cumulative tests from time to time. These are tests you can take only once, so studying before them is essential to do well. Your final mark for the course is based 60% on mastery tests and 40% on cumulative tests.

## GOAL

The goal of this unit is to increase your skills at avoiding five common grammar errors.

## OBJECTIVES

While completing this unit you will practice identifying and fixing problems with:

- Run-on sentences.
- Sentence fragments.
- Sentences with too many or too few commas.
- Vague pronoun references.
- Wrong pronouns in number, gender or person.

## WHAT TO DO IN THIS UNIT

- This unit uses the textbook *Reading and Writing for Success*.
- Ask your teacher for the Unit 1 Worksheet.
- Read pp. 194-198 on how sentences work.
- Read the examples for Error #1 on p.198, do the practice questions in the textbook, then the additional practice questions on the worksheet.
- Read the examples for Error #2 on p.199, do the practice questions in the textbook, then the additional practice questions on the worksheet.
- Read the examples for Error #3 on p.200, do the practice questions in the textbook, then the additional practice questions on the worksheet.
- Read the examples for Error #4 on p.202, do the practice questions in the textbook, then the additional practice questions on the worksheet.
- Read the examples for Error #5 on p.203, do the practice questions in the textbook, then the additional practice questions on the worksheet.
  
- When you are ready, ask your teacher for the Unit 1 Test. Remember, you must get 80% to pass, so studying hard is essential to do well.