

Opening Work – Week 8

Freshmen English

Mrs. Hess

Day 1

- Capitalization of name of place
- Capitalization of name of geographic feature
- Use of parentheses

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Day 2

- Use of semicolon to correct run-on sentence
- Elimination of dangling modifier
- Use of commas in a series

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Day 3

- Use of comma after introductory prepositional phrases
- Use of subordinating conjunction to combine sentences
- Elimination of unnecessary comma

Day 3

- 1. In most rural villages of the West Indies people earn a living by farming.
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- 2. While some farmers own or rent plots of land, others work on large sugar or coffee plantations.

Day 4

- Use of semicolon to correct run-on sentence
- Use of comma after introductory conjunctive adverb
- Correction of commonly misspelled word
- Capitalization of name of languages

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Day 5

- Use of comma after introductory adverb clause
- Capitalization of religious terms
- Use of active voice to improve style

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