

Week 27 Opening Work

Freshmen English

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2nd semester – Week 9

Day 1

- Correct subordinating conjunction
- Use of adverb to modify verb
- Use of participial phrase to combine sentences

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Day 2

- Revision of wordy sentence
- Subject and verb agreement
- Correction of misplaced modifier

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Day 3

- Correct use of helping verb *have*
- Correction of misplaced modifier
- Correct pronoun case
- Correction of a sentence ending with a preposition

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Day 4

- Revision of choppy sentences
- Combining sentences
- Correct past form of irregular verb

Day 4

- 1. The soldiers knew the order was a mistake. They apparently obeyed it anyway. They didn't question the order.
- 2. Most of the unit was dead or wounded. The survivors flung themselves through the Russian line and carried the day.

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- 1. **Although they knew the order was a mistake,** the soldiers apparently obeyed it without question.
- 2. **With most of the unit dead or wounded,** the survivors **flung** themselves through the Russian line and carried the day.

Day 5

- Use of active voice to improve style
- Elimination of *you* without a clear antecedent
- Correction of sentence fragment

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- 1. A strong, steady rhythm was used by Tennyson to make you think of the sound of soldiers marching in military precision to a drumbeat.
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