

Week 29 Opening Work

Freshmen English

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2nd Semester – Week 11

Day 1

- Correct use of parentheses
- Revision of a sentence ending with a preposition
- Subject and verb agreement
- Use of *different from*

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Day 2

- Revision of an incomplete comparison
- Use of underlining or italics with title of play
- Combining sentences

Day 2

- 1. Eliot's poems about cats are more full of humor, wit, and playful rhymes.
- 2. His charming cats with whimsical names inspired the musical Cats. The cats' names are Growltiger, Mungojerrie, Rumpleteaser, and Jennyanydots.

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Day 3

- Correction of commonly confused words
- Use of comma after introductory prepositional phrases
- Use of adverb to modify a verb

Day 3

- 1. In the battle among the tough, streetwise cats and the pampered Pekinese dogs guess which side wins.
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- 1. In the battle **between** the tough, streetwise cats and the pampered Pekinese dogs, guess which side wins.
- 2. T. S. Eliot really knew cats **well**.

Day 4

- Revision of awkward phrasing
- Correction of commonly misspelled word
- Elimination of *you* without a clear antecedent

Day 4

- 1. All cat owners know how hard to catch a cat in the act can be.
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Day 5

- Use of possessive case before gerund
- Correct use of adjective
- Use of comma to set off tag question

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- 1. There's something frankly absurd about anyone blaming a cat like Macavity for all the crime in London.
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