

Week 31 Opening Work

Freshmen English

Mrs. Hess

2nd Semester – Week 13

Day 1

- Use of commas to set off appositive
- Use of comma to separate parts of a place name
- Use of subordinating conjunction to combine sentences
- Correction of commonly confused words

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- 1. Emily Dickinson a highly prolific writer was born in Amherst Massachusetts, where she lived most of her life.
- 2. She wrote more than 1,700 poems. Less than a dozen of them were published during her lifetime.

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- 2. **Although** she wrote more than 1,700 poems, **fewer than** a dozen of them were published during her lifetime.

Day 2

- Correction of sentence fragment
- Formation of plural possessive
- Correction of commonly misspelled word

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Day 3

- Correction of commonly misused word
- Use of comma after introductory phrase
- Elimination of comma in compound predicate

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- 1. Adverse to popularity and hypocrisy Dickinson pursued her craft in isolation.
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Day 4

- Elimination of colon between verb and compound object
- Elimination of superlative with absolute adjective
- Correct use of indefinite article
- Spelling out ordinal numbers

Day 4

- 1. Dickinson's many themes include: nature, love, death, and eternity.
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- 2. The imperfect rhymes and **unique** language of her poems have had **an** important influence on poets in the **twentieth** century.

Day 5

- Revision of wordy sentence
- Correct comparison of adjective
- Elimination of double negative

Day 5

- 1. It is a fact that Emily Dickinson is considered one of the more gifted poets in American literature.
- 2. No high school literature course wouldn't be complete without a study of her poetry.

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- 1. Emily Dickinson is considered one of the *most* gifted poets in American literature.
- 2. No high school literature course **would** be complete without a study of her poetry.