

Common Errors

- ▶ Grammatical **errors** come in many forms and can easily confuse and obscure meaning.
- ▶ Some **common errors** are with prepositions most importantly, subject verb agreement, tenses, punctuation, spelling and other parts of speech.

Concord Subject-verb agreement

- ▶ 1. a. The two boys **plays** football everyday. (wrong)
b. The two boys **play** football everyday. (right)
- ▶ 2.a. I **knows** him very well. (wrong)
b. I **know** him very well. (right)
- ▶ 3. Fifty thousand rupees **are** a big amount (wrong)
- ▶ b. Fifty thousand rupees **is** a big amount (right)

Participles and Infinitives

1. a. He advised to do it by me (wrong)
b. He advised me to do it.(right)

2. a. I know to write a letter(wrong)
b. I know how to write a letter (right)

3. a. I heard him to speak on several subjects (wrong)
b. I heard him speak on several subjects (right)

Articles

- ▶ 1. a. A dog is faithful animal. (wrong)
 b. A dog is a faithful animal, (right)

- 2. a. I saw an one eyed man in our garden (wrong)
 b. I saw a one eyed man in our garden. (right)

- 3. a. The English is the language of British. (wrong)
 b. The English is the language of the British. (right)

Prepositions

1. a. The police arrested him for suspicion of murder (wrong)
b. The police arrested him on suspicion of murder (right)

2. a. The new session begins on April. (wrong)
b. The new session begins in April. (right)

3. a. The dog jumped in the river. (wrong)
b. The dog jumped into the river (right)

Linking words

1. a. He went on working very hard inspite his long illness (wrong)
b. He went on working very hard inspite of his long illness (right)

2. a. Although I have taken the medicine but I am no better (wrong)
b. Although I have taken the medicine, I am no better (right)

3. a. No sooner he finished his talk then he went away. (wrong)
b. No sooner did he finish his talk than he went away. (right)