

SPaG Checklist

- Have I used an appropriate writing style without slang or informal language?
- Have I used specialist vocabulary correctly?
- Have I written in paragraphs?
- Do my sentences start with capital letters and end with full stops?
- Have I checked my work to make sure my meaning is clear and makes sense?
- Have I capitalised names and places?

Punctuation

- Full stop:** marks the end of a sentence.
- Apostrophe:** shows belonging or missing letters, e.g. can't and couldn't.
- Colon:** joins two related clauses, where one cannot stand alone.
- Semicolon:** joins two clauses that are related but can stand alone as well.
- Question mark:** shows that a question is being asked.
- Inverted commas:** when a quotation is made or to indicate direct speech.

Commonly Misspelled Words

across
argument
basically
beginning
business
completely
definitely
disappear
embarrass
environment
friend

government
independent
knowledge
necessary
occurred
occasion
politician
propaganda
publicly
really
religious

remember
sense
separate
successful
surprise
tomorrow
tongue
truly
unfortunately
until
wherever

Have I checked my work?

Homophones

there: I would love to go there.
their: I borrowed their lawnmower.
they're: They're going to the shops.

to: I am going to go home.
too: Me too.
two: There are two of them.

your: Your house is big.
you're: You're welcome.

new: She has a new pen.
knew: He knew a lot for his age.

right: Turn right.
write: I will write that down.

which: Which one do you like?
witch: There was an evil witch.

peace: World peace.
piece: I had a huge piece of pie.

rain: The rain was heavy.
reign: His reign was a great one.

where: Where is it?
wear: I like to wear my gloves.

for: Is that for me?
four: I found a four-leaf clover.

Topic Words

Conjunctions

for
and
nor
but
or
yet
so
after

unless
though
because
if
although
since
before
whether

when
as
until
even though
whenever
once
while