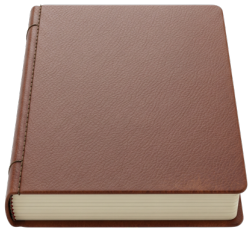
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Remember: Good writers **proofread** before they share. Check **C**apitals, **U**nderstanding, **P**unctuation and **S**pelling (**CUPS**). Read slowly, one sentence at a time.

Proofreading marks: ≡ under a letter = make it a capital · ^ = add something · circle = check spelling



1. What is the mistake?

Each sentence has one kind of mistake. Circle it.

1	we went to the beach on Saturday.	capital	punctuation	spelling
2	The water was very cold	capital	punctuation	spelling
3	I bilt a sand castle with my sister.	capital	punctuation	spelling
4	Our dog, max, chased the waves.	capital	punctuation	spelling
5	Do you like swimming in the ocean.	capital	punctuation	spelling
6	We ate sandwitches for lunch.	capital	punctuation	spelling

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2. Proofread the paragraph

This paragraph has eight mistakes. Rewrite it correctly.

last summer my family went camping at lake louise. we set up our tent next to a big tree The first night, we herd a strange noise outside. was it a bear. It was only a racoon looking for snacks!

Check: ☐ Capitals at the start of sentences ☐ Capitals for names and places ☐ End marks ☐ Spelling

Answer Key

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Model Answer

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2. Proofread the paragraph

A model answer to share with students. Their writing will be different.

Last summer, my family went camping at Lake Louise. We set up our tent next to a big tree. The first night, we heard a strange noise outside. Was it a bear? It was only a raccoon looking for snacks!