18 Most Common Grammar Mistakes

**ERROR #1**
Run-on Sentence or Comma Splice
Incorrect: “Rachel is very smart, she began reading when she was three years old.”
Correct: “Rachel is very smart. She began reading when she was three years old.”

**ERROR #2**
Pronoun Disagreement
Incorrect: “Every boy must bring their own lunch.”
Correct: “Every boy must bring his own lunch.”

**ERROR #3**
Mistakes in Apostrophe Usage
Incorrect: “My mother's cabin is next to his' cabin.”
Correct: “My mother’s cabin is next to his cabin.”

**ERROR #4**
Lack of Subject/Verb Agreement
Incorrect: “These recipes is good for beginning chefs.”
Correct: “These recipes are good for beginning chefs.”

**ERROR #5**
Misplaced Modifiers
Incorrect: “At eight years old, my father gave me a pony for Christmas.”
Correct: “When I was eight years old, my father gave me a pony for Christmas.”

**ERROR #6**
Sentence Fragments
Incorrect: “Sharon stayed home from school the other day. Because she was sick.”
Correct: “Sharon stayed home from school the other day because she was sick.”

**ERROR #7**
Missing Comma in a Compound Sentence
Incorrect: “Jim went to the store and Ella went with him.”
Correct: “Jim went to the store, and Ella went with him.”

**ERROR #8**
No Clear Antecedent
Incorrect: “The dad found the boy, and he was happy.”
Correct: “The dad was happy when he found the boy.”

**ERROR #9**
Ending a Sentence in a Preposition
Incorrect: “What reason did he come here for?”
Correct: “For what reason did he come here?”
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**ERROR #10**

**Mixing Up Spellings**
- Incorrect: “There father went to school there.”
- Correct: “Their father went to school there.”

**ERROR #11**

**Mixing Up Similar Words**
- Incorrect: “The rain had a good affect on the farmer’s field.”
- Correct: “The rain had a good effect on the farmer’s field.”

**ERROR #12**

**Unnecessary Commas**
- Incorrect: “She had a stomach ache, because she ate too much ice cream.”
- Correct: “She had a stomach ache because she ate too much ice cream.”

**ERROR #13**

**Mixing Up Possessives and Plurals**
- Incorrect: “The dogs dish was full of bone’s.”
- Correct: “The dog’s dish was full of bones.”

**ERROR #14**

**Mistakes With Well and Good**
- Incorrect: “I am doing good in math.”
- Correct: “I am doing well in math.”

**ERROR #15**

**Comparisons That Are Incomplete**
- Incorrect: “My hair is smoother and softer.”
- Correct: “My hair is smoother and softer than it was a month ago.”

**ERROR #16**

**Mixing Up Adverbs and Adjectives**
- Incorrect: “Susan gave me a real nice bouquet of flowers.”
- Correct: “Susan gave me a really nice bouquet of flowers.”

**ERROR #17**

**Confusion Between Fewer and Less**
- Incorrect: “The store was almost out of dog food. There were less cans on the shelves than there were yesterday.”
- Correct: “The store was almost out of dog food. There were fewer cans on the shelves than there were yesterday.”

**ERROR #18**

**Title Capitalization Problems**
- Incorrect: “Around the world in 80 days”
- Correct: “Around The World in 80 Days”