Capitalization Quiz – Level A

Study Sheet - Basic Rules

- Capitalize the first letter of a sentence.
- Capitalize proper nouns (the names of specific, unique things) such as Mt. Fuji, Mississippi River, Statue of Liberty, Harvard University, Idaho and Atlantic Ave. Don't capitalize names of things of which there are many such as mountain, river, statue, college, state and street.
- Do not capitalize articles (a, an, the) or prepositions (of, on, for, in, to, with, etc.)
- Capitalize the pronoun "I."
- Capitalize the first letters of a person's name (John), suffix (Jr.) and title (Mr., Dr. President)
- Capitalize regions of a country (New England), continents (South America) and cities (London).
- Capitalize the days of the week (Monday) and the months of the year (January). Do not capitalize directions (south).
- Capitalize the titles of books, newspapers, magazines, plays, television shows, movies and works of art.

Quiz

A. Instructions: Put a "C" if the sentence has no capitalization errors. Put an "X" if the sentence has any capitalization errors:

- 1. _____ I saw Stonehenge in England.
- 2. ____ On Saturday, I like to eat Italian food.
- 3. _____ My favorite book is Harry Potter And The Goblet Of Fire.
- 4. _____ I give blood when the red cross holds a blood drive in my area.
- 5. _____ My sister works for the Boston Globe.
- 6. _____ do you know when the iron age started?
- 7. _____ Mary and her sister sue went to the opera.
- 8. _____ Shakespeare wrote Romeo and Juliet.
- 9. _____ The American civil war was a dark time in our history.
- 10. _____ The Republicans and Democrats will debate the issues.

B. Instructions: Circle the words that need a capital letter.

a trip around the world would be fun. it would be cold in antarctica and hot in the bahamas. you would meet germans, italians, and swedes in europe. it would be interesting to visit egypt and see the great pyramid of giza, the sphinx and the nile river. you could get ideas about where to go from the book journeys of a lifetime or watch the travel channel. lastly, you could visit the sites of famous events, like the boston tea party, the battle of waterloo or where the magna carta was signed.

