

Editing and Revisions

This I Believe Narrative

Quotation Marks

- If you are having people talk, you add quotation marks.
- “This is an example of dialogue. Quotation marks are at the beginning and end of the quote.”
- Punctuation goes **INSIDE** of the quotation marks.

Inner Thoughts

If you are having inner thoughts in your narrative, they need to be italicized.

As I sat in the room, I thought to myself, *is this really happening to me? How could he say that about me?* I began to feel more upset the more I thought about it.

Paragraphs

- Every paragraph needs to be indented.
- There should not be extra space between paragraphs.
- Press “**enter**” then “**tab**” to begin a new paragraph.
- If yours has extra space, delete the extra space.

Use Academic Language

- In writing, it must be more formal than how we talk in real life
- Avoid using things like: lol, idk, idc
- Basically, be careful to know the difference in how we text and how we write for academic purposes

Are You Using These Properly?

There- location (The book is over there)

Their- ownership (I went to their house after school to hangout)

They're- They are (They're going to the movies too)

To- location (They are going to be at the party)

Too- having a lot of something (There are too many bees outside)

Two- the number (We each get two cookies)

Are You Using These Properly?

Your- Your movie is starting in ten minutes

You're- You are (You're going to have to redo that assignment)

Then- Time (We will eat lunch and then have healthy kids)

Than- Comparison (You have more school supplies than me)

Lie- To recline or to not be honest (I need to lie down, I don't feel well)

Lay- To place (Lay your chromebooks on your desk)

Are You Using These Properly?

Who- He, She, They (Who is he?)

Whom- Him, Her, Them or an Object (To whom it may concern)

Affect-Verb (The loud music affected my concentration)

Effect-Noun (The loud music had a negative effect on my homework grade)