Super Awesome Funny Grammar Video Project!

For this project, each group will be asked to select one grammar rule presented in class or otherwise and compose a funny skit or video or parody to teach the rule. Some possible topics you may choose include:

- Sentence errors (fragments, fused sentences, run-ons, comma splices)
- Quotation marks
- Dangling or misplaced modifiers
- Commas, colons, or semicolons
- Pronouns and antecedents
- Apostrophes or other marks of punctuation
- Subject and verb agreement
- Spelling errors (homophones and homonyms)
- Active and passive voice
- Active verbs

And much more (I’ll even accept lessons about composition and craft)!

Production Timeline

To produce each video, we will be receiving some assistance from Nick Smerker of the Media Commons regarding the One Button Studio on Thursday, October 10. Each video must be roughly 2-3 minutes in length and must impart a small grammar lesson of the groups’ selected topic in a humorous way. Please use your creativity and just have fun!

Each video must be completed by Tuesday of the last week of class as presenters may be drawn at random until all groups have presented. Please upload your video to YouTube so that they can be presented to the class. Each group will be asked to briefly explain their inspiration and process as a part of their final presentation. This project will be worth 75 points and will be graded on creativity, humor, production quality, and the cleverness and accuracy with which the grammar lesson is presented.

By October 21, you must upload your group’s storyboard ideas to the Dropbox (take a picture with your phone or scan this). You must also go to [Doodle] to schedule a time as a group on TBA to remotely chat with Nick about your project. You will go to [Zoom] at the time of your scheduled conference. This is a requirement and worth a grade, so you must participate. (25 points)
Group Assignments

- Group 1:
- Group 2:
- Etc...

Resources

- Booking One Button Studio: mediacommons.psu.edu/locations/commonwealth/beaver/
- Video Production Tips: mediacommons.psu.edu/2017/02/01/video-production-tips/
- OBS Best Practices: mediacommons.psu.edu/one-button-studio-best-practices/
- iMovie Tutorials: mediacommons.psu.edu/support/tutorials/imovie/
- Storyboarding: mediacommons.psu.edu/2017/02/13/storyboarding/