

Each of the following sentences contains an error of some kind. Read each sentence and select the option that correctly identifies its error. Then, correct the error.

11. The con artist hoodwinked the old lady when he sold her fradulent insurance.

- A. Capitalization
- B. Punctuation
- C. Spelling
- D. Grammar

12. The movie star was accused of a misdemeanor, when she stole \$15 worth of merchandise from the store.

- A. Capitalization
- B. Punctuation
- C. Spelling
- D. Grammar

13. The congregation sang a comtemporary hymn.

- A. Capitalization
- B. Punctuation
- C. Spelling
- D. Grammar

14. The wound were necrotic when examined.

- A. Capitalization
- B. Punctuation
- C. Spelling
- D. Grammar

15. The defendint exhibited a peevish appearance.

- A. Capitalization
- B. Punctuation
- C. Spelling
- D. Grammar

16. The band director was scheduled to play the piccolo on tuesday.

- A. Capitalization
- B. Punctuation
- C. Spelling
- D. Grammar

17. The renter was remiss; about the rent.

- A. Capitalization
- B. Punctuation
- C. Spelling
- D. Grammar

18. The old man was know for his sapient knowledge.

- A. Capitalization
- B. Punctuation
- C. Spelling
- D. Grammar

19. The inventor create several specious ideas to solve the problem.

- A. Capitalization
- B. Punctuation
- C. Spelling
- D. Grammar

20. The teacher identified the troublemakers, in her classroom.

- A. Capitalization
- B. Punctuation
- C. Spelling
- D. Grammar

Answers and Explanations

11. C: "Fradulent" is incorrect spelling of the adjective "fraudulent."

12. B: The comma before the adverbial clause ("when...") is incorrect punctuation; it should not be there.

13. C: "Comtemporary" is an incorrect spelling of "contemporary."

14. D: The plural verb "were" with the singular noun subject "wound" lacks subject-verb agreement, constituting incorrect grammar.

15. C: "Defendint" is an incorrect spelling of the word "defendant."

16. A: The lower-case initial "t" in "Tuesday" is incorrect capitalization: names/proper nouns are capitalized.

17. B: The semicolon here is incorrect punctuation. The only punctuation mark this sentence needs is its final period.

18. D: The correct past-perfect form here is "was known." "Was know" is incorrect grammar.

19. D: "Create" is incorrect grammar here. The singular subject noun "inventor" requires either the singular verb form "creates" or the past-tense "created" for correct construction.

20. B: It is incorrect punctuation to place a comma between the noun and its modifying prepositional phrase. No punctuation mark should be used, except for the final period.