**PSAT I Writing—Mrs. Stevens**

**April 14-17**

You will find class resources (notes and PowerPoints/presentations) for me each week in the PSAT 2020 General Section. At the top, click Files>Class Materials>Week 4 folder for me. I'll try to post any PowerPoint documents in PDF form as well just in case the actual PPT doesn't cooperate with your device. See pic below of this week's directions.

1. **Study the words and categories for TRANSITIONS**. This list was first mentioned in Week 2's assignment directions. Here is the link: <https://www.smart-words.org/linking-words/transition-words.html>

**Read through this webpage’s tips for answering transition questions:** <https://blog.prepscholar.com/transition-questions-on-sat-writing>

I will post a quiz on TEAMS this FRIDAY (April 17) for you to take on transition categories/selecting the correct transitions. (Ex. “therefore” is a cause and effect transition, “however” is a contrast transition). It will not count as a regular quiz grade, but it will be a good indicator for me to see what you understand.

1. Last week, you were supposed to complete the additional practice and watch videos on dangling/misplaced modifiers and pronoun antecedent/agreement errors. Part of the notes on the PRONOUN ERRORS from last week’s file also cover Pronoun Reference Errors or Ambiguous Pronoun Errors. This specific pronoun error is what we will practice this week. **Read through the Pronoun Reference PowerPoint located in the Week 4 folder; complete the practice questions within the PPT and check your answers as you go.** (Can’t find it? See directions at the top of this page)

Here is another webpage that explains this skill with some examples if you need additional help: <https://www.grammarly.com/blog/pronoun-reference/>

1. Take this quiz on pronoun reference after completing step 3 skill information. <https://chompchomp.com/hotpotatoes/proref01.htm> Submit your final score to this quiz by taking a screenshot of the final page of the quiz that shows your percentage on question #20, the last question. You will submit this photo (of your phone or computer) in Teams Assignments.
2. Last week, you also answered the practice questions of your classmates’ projects on Frequently Confused Words and submitted a copy of your notes/answers. I will be posting answers to each of those projects throughout the day (in the Frequently Confused Words Channel on Teams), so you should be able to check your own answers for accuracy starting tomorrow (Thursday). Checking your answers is VERY IMPORTANT, so please don’t skip this step. On a NEW sheet of paper, I want you to write down the word set of what you missed and how many you missed. You don’t have to write anything down for those that you don’t miss. If you have a perfect score, you just need to write down that you missed 0 and turn that into Teams assignments.

Ex. affect/effect-1

 inflict/afflict-2

**From previous week:** Sign up for Flipgrid and respond to the two prompts already there. You should also respond to 3-5 other classmates’ videos (or more!) You can see the codes I sent in Remind earlier. Use your Microsoft school emails to sign up. Flip code for the class: stevens2993

There is a way you can participate/respond without always showing your face/surroundings. I’d prefer to see your face, though ;)

**News**: We have not got any other information to share with you about PSAT camp other than the goal is to still have it…we are hoping for more information in the coming weeks.

Most of you signed up for a PSAT practice test scheduled for April 15 (today). As of right now, I’m not sure if they will move that to early fall or just cancel it and refund your money. Hopefully, we will find out soon.