

13/7/2021 LO To proofread my work for spelling and punctuation errors

Proofreading is an important stage in the writing process. It involves spotting and correcting any mistakes that you may have made in your writing. Using the CUPS checklist is a great way to spot if errors have been made.

C = Have capital letters been used correctly?

U = Do sentences sound right? (understanding)

P = Are sentences correctly punctuated?

S = Are words spelt correctly?

female emus lay large emerald-green eggs, which occasionally disappear if snakes or other nest raiders are nearby

one particularly pesky emu enjoyed snatching brotgas hat off his head with its powerful beak.

Can you spot and write down the correct spellings? (4)

Interestingly, the emu is won off the largist flightless birds and is only exceeded in heit by the ostrich.

Use the CUPS checklist to edit the sentence with the corrections that need to be made.

the naughty emus where creating chaos in the keepers shack

The correct punctuation to end a sentence depends on the type of sentence it is. Statements end with a full stop, questions end with a question mark, an exclamation ends with an exclamation mark and a command can end with a full stop or an exclamation mark. Read these sentences and decide if they are correct or incorrect.

1. Would you keep an emu as a pet.
2. What a mess the emus have made!
3. Clear up this mess?
4. The emu is a large, flightless bird.
5. Emus have two sets of eyelids, one for blinking and the other for keeping the dust out?

Use the CUPS checklist to find and fix the mistake in each of the following sentences.

C= capital letters U = understanding (missing words) P= punctuation S=spelling

1. The emu has small wings for size. (U)
2. The emu is a flightless like ostriches and cassowaries (U & P)
3. There body feathers protect them from the sun? (S & P)
4. Each Emu foot has three strong tows that grip the ground. (C & S)
5. the emu has a powerful kick witch could kill a predator (S, C & P)
6. There strong legs allow to run at almost 30 miles per hour. (S & U)

Proofread the following passage, correcting any spelling and punctuation errors you find.

As the too children carefully crept through the hot, arid desert, they looked closely at the ground for the distinctive three-toed footprints of there lost emus. They had been sent on an important mishun to return the mischievous creatures, who had escaped earlier that morning. all of a sudden they herd a strange sound comeing from up ahead