

This inventory is for you to keep track of PATTERNS of mistakes in your writing. When you receive feedback from either your peers or me, list the assignment in a new column and then indicate the kinds of errors you see in the piece of writing by placing check marks in the appropriate rows. Everyone makes occasional mistakes; the key is to look for patterns. What are you consistently missing? Every few assignments, we will take a look at this data, and you will be in charge of your own improvement plan. I will direct you to resources. You will propose a plan to correct your mistakes and learn about writing and grammar that targets YOUR weaknesses. (Empty rows at the bottom are for writing issues and concerns that are not already listed. You, your peers, and your instructor will determine these categories.)

Writing Issues & Concerns	Assignment Title & Date															
Formatting/Directions																
Title																
Thesis																
Organization																
Support (Relevance)																
Support (Citations)																
Analysis & Explanation (Avoid "This shows")																
Plot Summary (PS)																
Specificity (BMS: Be more specific)																
Wordiness (BMC: Be more concise)																
Awkward phrasing (awk)																
Commas																
Semicolons																
Colons																
Apostrophes/Possession																
Wrong word (WC: word choice; BMP: Be more precise)																
Wrong word (WW/homophones)																
Parallel Structure (II)																
Modifiers (Mod)																
Split Infinitives (Sp. Inf.)																
Sentence Fragments (frag.)																
Run-ons (RO)																
Comma Splice (C/S)																
Subject Verb Agreement (SVA)																
Pronoun Agreement (PA)																
Vague Pronoun Reference (Pro)																
Verb Tense (tense)																
Passive Voice (PV)																
Formality (1 st /2 nd per. Pronouns)																
Redundant Phrasing (Red)																
Use of white space ~(WS)~																
Bracket error []																