

# **Quality of Written Communication**

### **Topic Words**

## **Commonly Misspelled Words**

across knowledge argument necessary basically occurred beginning occasion business politician completely propaganda definitely publicity disappear really religious embarrass remember environment friend sense government separate independent successful

surprise tomorrow tongue truly unfortunately until wherever

Have I checked my work?

#### **Connectives**

Because - But - Although - Then - However
- Next - Since - Therefore - Also - Despite Furthermore - Whereas - On the other hand So - As long as - For example - Such as - So far
- Moreover - Apart from - Meanwhile In addition - In contrast - Moreover Alternatively - Nevertheless - Afterwards Consequently - As well as - For example What is more - As a result of this - Firstly Secondly - Thirdly

#### **Punctuation**

- . Full stop Marks the end of a sentence.
- , **Comma** Separates items in a list or clauses in a complex sentence.
- 'Apostrophe Shows belonging or missing letters on words like don't and can't.
- "Inverted commas Show quotation.
- ? Question mark Ends a question sentence.
- : **Colon** Joins two related clauses where one clause cannot stand alone.
- ; **Semicolon** Joins two equal clauses that are closely related but could also stand alone.

#### **SPaG Checklist**

- Have I used an appropriate style with no slang or informal language?
- Is my work in paragraphs?
- Do my sentences start with capital letters and end with full stops?
- Are my quotations in inverted commas?
- Have I used capital letters for names and places?
- Have I used specialist vocabulary correctly?
- Have I checked that my sentences make sense and my meaning is clear?
- Did I check my spelling against words in the question paper?

## **Homophones**

- There: I'd love to go there.
   Their: Is that their cat?
   They're (they are): They're here.
- To: I'm going to work.
   Too: Are you coming too?
   Two: I have two hands.
- Your: What's your name? You're (you are): You're welcome.
- New: She has a new phone. Knew: I already knew that.
- Right: Is that right?
   Write: Can you write that down?
- Which: Which colour do you like? Witch: She was a wicked witch.
- <u>Peace:</u> I wish for peace on Earth. <u>Piece:</u> Do you want a piece of pie?
- Rain: It's pouring with rain.
   Rein: I led the horse by the reins.
   Reign: The King's reign ended.
- Where: Where are you going?
   Wear: What should I wear?
- For: Is that present for me? Four: I'll take four of these.