



Progress Report 5

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What we did this quarter..

Redesigned the Sentence Sense online grammar course!

Started out by picking WordPress

Found a theme that worked for what we wanted

Created a banner design

Started adding content & customizing the theme

Challenges encountered..

- Lack of experience
 - WordPress, CSS, PHP, JavaScript, HTML
- Our sponsor lives in Connecticut
- Settling on a design
 - Sponsor always changing her mind

Greatest Achievements

Technical

- Agreeing on a website design and executing it

Non-technical

- Establishing channels of communication



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This online textbook in basic writing offers students three approaches to becoming more confident writers. **Part One** examines how sentences work, giving students a structural understanding of the language they use every day. **Part Two** focuses on errors that commonly appear in written English. **Part Three** suggests techniques and topics for developing ideas in writing. Students may move back and forth among parts, using the resources collected in **Part Four** as support.



PART ONE: In these first seven chapters, you will study the basic structure of English sentences, their parts and how those parts work together.



PART TWO: These chapters identify and explain some of the most common writing errors, using the structural terms of Part One.



PART THREE: The chapters in Part Three ask you to think more carefully about what you are doing when you organize a composition.



PART FOUR: The five sections of Part Four provide auxiliary material to make your use of Sentence Sense as easy and efficient as possible.

Before beginning their serious study of *Sentence Sense*, students are advised to read the special instructions for navigating the online text and for taking the various kinds of applications:

- Navigation Instructions
- Using Applications

Sentence Sense Online is designed to take advantage of the interactivity possible on the Internet. There are over 200 computer-graded or self-grading exercises to encourage students to apply ideas, test their mastery, and have fun with language along the way.

Students are also referred to documents outside this text for further reading and exploration of issues that come up in the process of writing.

The accompanying **Study Guide** advises teachers about ways of using *Sentence Sense* in courses, and it provides students with a printable manual for easy reference both at and away from the computer.



Old Website:

<http://www.ccc.commnet.edu/sensen/>

New website:

<http://uci.sencesyntax.com/>



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This website introduces you to the four sentence parts: verb, subject, completer, and modifier. As you explore the parts, you won't be thinking about errors. Instead, you'll be focusing on how Standard English sentences work. This view of

Introduction: [Gathering what you know](#)

1 - Overview: [The whole sentence](#)

2 - Verbs: [What's happening?](#)

3 - Subjects and Completers: [Who's in charge and what else is involved?](#)

4 - Modifiers: [Which, where, why, how, when?](#)

5 - Embedded Thoughts: [How do some parts fold into others?](#)

Rest of the quarter as a group..

- Finalize the design of the website
 - Navigation bar drop-down menu
- Update the website with actual and dummy content
- Final demo practice

Individually..

- Split up the work of updating individual pages
 - Adding "next" and "back" buttons

For the summer..

Our sponsor will be testing the websites on different users and providing us with feedback

Individually..

We will learn how to design simple interactive games using JavaScript

Fall Quarter

Design interactive games for different sections
of the online grammar course