You each should have received a randomly assigned semester project for which you will provide a brief, but thorough, review. In practice, reviews generally start with a broad summary of the paper/work - a nice way to show the author(s) that you have read and understood their work and key findings. This is also a good place to give your overall impressions (e.g., was it well-written with sound logic? Did the conclusions match the data? Was the knowledge gap clearly identified?). Then there is typically a section of "major comments" (things that might require substantial edits to the paper) followed by "minor comments" (things like typographical errors or confusing sentences). Specific comments should always report the line to which they refer.

For example, if line 55 of the paper you are reviewing misspelled "behavior" as "beehavior," you'd write:

L55 - change "beehavior" to "behavior" OR

L55 - misspelled behavior

**Note**: we forgot to specify that all submissions should have line numbers (sorry!). So, you will have to give some extra details (e.g., “third line of second paragraph on page 3” or “sentence beginning with ‘We found that…’”) to help your peers find the line in question.

For further guidance, we have attached an example of a "real world" peer review along with author responses. Try to avoid unhelpful comments like "this is confusing" or "unclear" without telling the authors *why*it is unclear. Here is a link to some peer review tips from Carleton College: <https://serc.carleton.edu/sp/library/peerreview/tips.html>. The tips are for undergrads, but generally the same principles apply to reviewing manuscripts!

**Please limit your review to a maximum of three major and three minor "issues" (so, no more than six total comments). Note this does not mean you HAVE to make six comments, so if you only have two major suggestions and one minor suggestion, that is okay.**

**All reviews should be typed (or pasted) into the text box on Canvas (please do NOT submit a word document with tracked changes).**