

Grammarians Guide

Here are some things a Grammarian can comment on when called on at the end of the meeting.

If you have any changes to suggest, please contact the Education Committee (aka EVP) or Desiree Oliver (the author).

+ Good use of vocabulary

+ Colorful phrases

- Poor usage such as "ain't" or "axe"
for "ask"

- Use of non-verbal pause substitutes
such as "ah," "ahem" and "well."

- Colloquialisms that get in the way
such as "kind of" or ending sentences
with "right?"

+ **Effective use of *alliteration*** (The
occurrence of two or more words having
the same initial sound as *wailing in the
winter wind*)

+ Words that foster gestures

+ Descriptive words or phrases

- Clichés such as "live and learn"

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