

# Common mistakes in English

Some common errors in English are given below.

Incorrect: His health is more better.

Correct: His health is better. OR His health is much better.

Better is a comparative adjective. It cannot be modified by more. However, the modifier much is possible here.

Incorrect: Why you were late?

Correct: Why were you late?

Incorrect: Why you did not come?

Correct: Why didn't you come?

In questions the auxiliary verb comes before the subject.

Incorrect: Let us discuss about this matter.

Correct: Let us discuss this matter.

The verb discuss does not take a preposition before the object.

Incorrect: He informed the death of his mother to me.

Correct: He informed me about the death of his mother.

We inform somebody about something.

Incorrect: No one told to me about this.

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Correct: No one told me about this.

We tell someone about something.

Incorrect: He has worked in this office since ten years.

Correct: He has worked in this office for ten years.

Correct: He has worked in this office since 2004.

Incorrect: The patient felt very better after taking the tablet.

Correct: The patient felt better / much better after taking the tablet.

We cannot use very to modify comparative adjectives or adverbs.

Incorrect: The groom has ordered for a wedding suit.

Correct: The groom has ordered a wedding suit.

Correct: The groom has placed an order for a wedding suit.

Incorrect: The books I bought this year are costlier than last year.

Correct: The books I bought this year are costlier than those I bought last year.

You need to compare books with books. You cannot compare books with last year.

Incorrect: When she bought a diamond necklace she got a bangle freely.

Correct: When she bought a diamond necklace she got a bangle free.

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Incorrect: You can speak free.

Correct: You can speak freely.

Free means 'without payment'. Freely means 'without limit or restriction'.