

Nouns mistakes

Here are some common mistakes in the use of nouns.

Incorrect: We haven't got any breads.

Correct: We haven't got any loaves of bread.

Explanation

The noun 'bread' does not have a plural form. To express that idea we use the expression 'loaves of bread'.

Incorrect: Please excuse the troubles.

Correct: Please excuse me for the trouble.

Incorrect: He took troubles to do his work.

Correct: He took trouble over his work.

Incorrect: I am learning a new poetry.

Correct: I am learning a new poem.

Explanation

The word poetry denotes a form of literature.

Incorrect: We had a good play of tennis.

Correct: We had a good game of tennis.

Incorrect: He is true to his words.

Correct: He is true to his word.

Incorrect: I saw three females in the room.

Correct: I saw three women in the room.

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Incorrect: He enquired about your state of health.

Correct: He enquired about the state of your health.

Incorrect: I am leaving my service.

Correct: I am leaving my job.

Incorrect: I celebrated Christmas with my family members.

Correct: I celebrated Christmas with my family. / I celebrated Christmas with the members of my family.

Incorrect: The clock has struck six hours.

Correct: The clock has struck six.

Incorrect: The weather of Colombo does not suit me.

Correct: The climate of Colombo does not suit me.

Incorrect: These news are too good to be true.

Correct: This news is too good to be true.