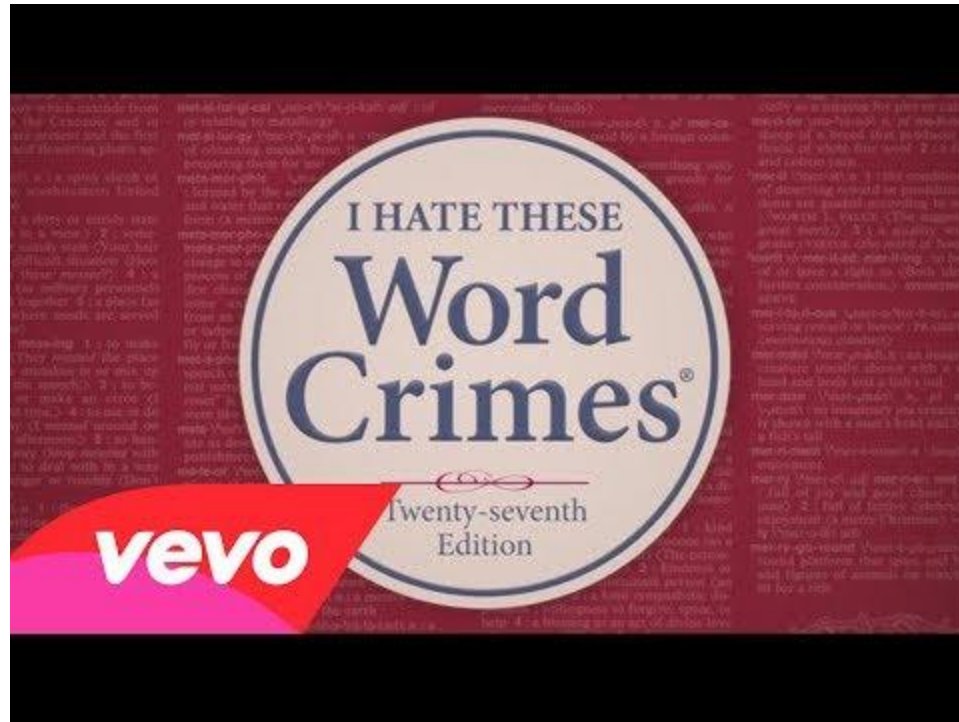


Six Traits

Conventions

Notebook: Writing Activities

“Word Crimes” Weird AI



Notebook: Writing Activity

Read one article of your choice:

“F in Grammar? Maybe It’s Your Phone’s Fault” OR

“What’s Up With That? Why It’s So Hard To Catch Your Own Typos?”

Response

Read one of the articles. Then, in your notebook, Writing Activity section, record the article title, author, etc. Briefly summarize the article. Then answer this question: How can I apply what I learned to my own writing?

Conventions

the mechanical correctness of a piece

- spelling
- capitalization
- punctuation
- grammar/usage
- paragraphing

Activity 1

Punctuation Matters

-Write and punctuate a sentence in a different way.

Does the meaning of the sentence change?



Activity 1 continued...

1. The butler stood by the door and called the guests names.
2. I'm sorry you can't come with us.
3. This book is dedicated to my roommates Oprah Winfrey and God.
4. Do not break your bread or roll in your soup.
5. Call me fool if you wish.
6. The criminal says the judge should be hanged.
7. The Democrats say the Republicans will lose the election.

Activity 2: No Excuses List

As a class, create a “No Excuses List” for all writing this semester. Students will look for these errors in their own essays and in their peers’ essays.

-1 point per error on final drafts