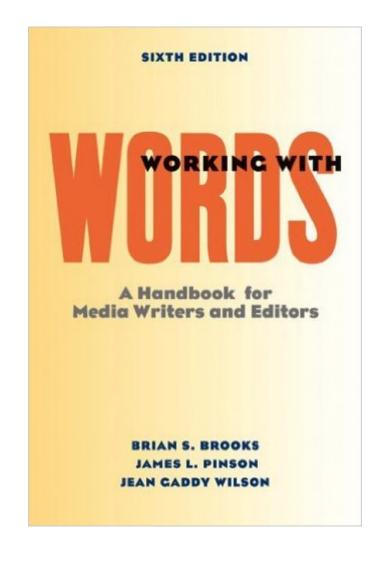
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# Working With Words: A Handbook For Media Writers And Editors





## Synopsis

Written for journalists by journalists, Working with Words provides the examples, exercises, and rhetorical advice the Associated Press Stylebook does not. The ideal reference for journalism students, the sixth edition focuses on improving grammar and style by offering more grammar help, more on ethics, and more on writing for online media.

### **Book Information**

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In many ways, "Working with Words" differs little from other grammar books. It accomplishes its task very well, though. A highlight of this book has to be its organization. The book is divided into 11 chapters and 4 appendixes. All the basics are covered: sentences, phrases and clauses; the parts of speech; punctuation, etc. Other sections cover tight writing, muddled language and "sexism, racism and other '-isms.'"But the absolute best parts of this book are the lists and appendixes. "What to Tighten A-Z" offers a quick guide to getting rid of phrases that are wordy, redundant or cliche. "Confused words" helps you decide whether to use continual or continuous, fortuitous or fortunate among many others. Sections on common mistakes and frequently misspelled words also help you avoid errors. But my favorite section has to be the one called "One word, two words or hyphenated?" It is a fabulously quick and easy reference.

First of all they lied. The seller said this product was in very good condition. Very good is used with maybe a few signs of wear. This book was mostly highlighted, had a lot of writing in it, and it had a

few stains from food most likely. Also, this book had ring binding that was broken at the top. I am very disappointed in this product. This book was at most OK. And, it took a long time to get here. I ordered it on the 9th and received it on the 23rd. I will not buy from this seller again and would not recommend it to anybody i know either. All in all, very disappointed.

This book always with me in addition to my AP Stylebook. It's wonderfully helpful in all areas of writing, including glossaries of confused words, hyphenation as a spelling problem, and a glossary of common redundancies. They even have a section on American versus British spelling. I don't understand how someone couldn't find helpful information in this book, it tells you very plainly what is right and wrong. (I'm looking two examples in the book right now, one labeled RIGHT, one labeled WRONG) How anyone would be confused with the information is beyond me. This is a must have resource.

I have a tore up version of this book from my college days! It's the 1993 version, but I use it frequently. This book is a great tool on grammar that explains things simplisticly. Whether you are looking for answers on where to put an apostrophe or whether a comma goes inside or outside of quotation marks, this book will tell you in simple terms. Love it!!

It is a good book, but it wasn't what other reviewers had built it up to be. Some items in the text are rather simple. Yet it is a good book that I plan to use.

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