

Unit 7 WNYN Lexicals — Script Application

You are advised to do your homework on the computer, to get practice typing in English.

If you see “TF” in the margin of your homework, that means that you have violated a guideline in “Technical Features in Written Work.”

If you see a circled C in the margin, it means that you should provide context to explain what you wrote. Mr. H wants to be sure that you understood the whole sentence. For example:

The student wrote: John asked Margaret what she was getting at.

The student should have written: When Margaret told John that she thought the audience figures might be misleading, John asked her what she was getting at. (The context is underlined.)

The student wrote: Margaret asked John whether there was any way they could be sure that they had really reversed the trend.

The student should have written: Margaret asked John whether there was any way they could be sure that they had really reversed the trend of decreasing audiences for their programs.

A very common mistake

Is it *increase in sth* or *increase of sth*? Look at the sample sentences in your dictionary. Are you confident that you know the preposition(s) that are used with every noun? Of course not. That means that you have to confirm your tentative knowledge in the dictionary. Learn English efficiently!

be afraid not/so

have sth to do with sth/smn

providing/provided

reverse a trend

get at

across the board

have sth to do with sth/smn

have sth to smn

be afraid not/so

When Margaret asked John whether there was any way they could be sure that they had really reversed the trend, John told her he was afraid not.

have sth to do with sth/smn

The news department could have had an increase in any one of the news program categories, and they'd say it had (something) to do with interest in certain specific topics they presented on those programs.

providing/provided

John saw the greater viewer acceptance of all of their programming as something that should continue — providing they continue the same kind of programming.

reverse a trend

Margaret asked John whether there was any way they could be sure that they had really reversed the trend of decreasing audiences for their programs.

get at

When Margaret told John that she thought the audience figures might be misleading, John asked her what she was getting at.

across the board

The news department has almost doubled their audience across the board.

have sth to smn

John promised Margaret that he should be able to have copies of the viewer survey report to her by that Wednesday.