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| **Capitalization Rules (review):** (same as the ones on your bell work)   * 1) **Rule 1: Capitalize proper nouns, titles, and direct address.**   + *Correct: My Uncle Jack is awesome! Incorrect: I love my Uncle.*      - 2nd one is incorrect because it is not a proper noun. It doesn’t state which uncle since there could be more than one. It only shows the relationship between the two people.   + *Correct: I am going to talk to Mom about this. Incorrect: I love my Mom.*      - 2nd one is incorrect because it only shows the relationship between the two people (mom and child). The first one is correct because “mom” is used to refer to a specific person. The mom’s name could be substituted in the sentence, and it still would make sense.       * Ex: I am going to talk to Suzy about this.         + “Suzy” can substitute “Mom”, so “Mom” should be capitalized.   + *Correct: People made fun of Governor Brewer. Incorrect: They didn’t like the Governor*. * 2) **Rule 2: Capitalize directions that are names only if they are used as sections of the country.**   + *Correct: My aunt is moving to the South. Incorrect: Just go south once you reach the QT.* |

**Instructions: Circle each word that needs to be capitalized, and fix the capitalization error on top of the circle. Underline a word that should not have been capitalized. If there are no capitalization errors, just write “correct” next to the sentence.**

1. I wish I could’ve met queen elizabeth because she was a really famous Queen.
2. I’m looking forward to Martin Luther King day because we don’t have to come to school that Monday.
3. I love thanksgiving because all my family members, even uncle Larry, come to dinner at our house.
4. I knew that her Mom would not allow her to go to see “The Color of Money” because it was too explicit.
5. If you drive North of Phoenix for a few hours, you’ll reach the grand canyon! I went with mom, and she loved it. ☺
6. The gist of the memo was this: no smoking permitted in any of the buildings on the College Campus.

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| 3) **Rule3: Capitalize planet names, trademarks, major words in titles of works (songs, books), names of religions, languages, countries, nationalities, historical periods or events, holy books, political parties, important social groups, seasons (when used in title), day, month, holidays**   * 1. *Correct: I love Starbucks coffee. Incorrect: I love Starbucks Coffee.*   2. *Correct: I just read In the Time of the Butterflies. Incorrect: I just read In The Time Of The Butterflies.*   3. *Correct: I want to go to India and learn more about Hinduism.*   4. *Correct: I am learning about the Victorian Era.*   5. *Correct: I pray to God every morning. Incorrect: Many religions worship more than one God.*      1. *The first one should be capitalized because it refers to a specific god. The person is praying a specific god in the morning (whichever one she believes in). If you can substitute the name of the deity for “God” in the sentence, then it can be capitalized.*          1. *Ex: “I pray to Jehovah every morning” or “I pray to Allah every morning”. Since a specific god is referred to in the sentence above, the word “God” should be capitalized in the sentence.*      2. *The second one should not be capitalized because it is not referring to a specific god. You cannot replace the name of a specific deity in the sentence since it is not referring to one specific god.*          1. *Ex: Many religions pray to more than one Allah =wrong. The sentence was discussing that people pray to many different deities, not to any specific one.*   6. *Correct: I love going to Flagstaff during the winter! Incorrect: I love Spring.*   7. *Correct: The book was written by a European author. Incorrect: The book was written by White author.*       1. *Only ethnicity or nationality should be capitalized. “White” and “Black” are colors (even when they refer to a group of people), so they should not be capitalized.*   *Correct= The book was written by a white author.* |

**Instructions: Circle each word that needs to be capitalized, and fix the capitalization error on top of the circle. If no words need to be capitalized, just write “correct” next to it.**

1. When I get my license, my mom said she would buy me a honda civic.
2. When Salvador began going to hershey high school, he spoke fluent french and little english.
3. My Teacher assigned chapter 12 for our homework assignment in our book, College writing.
4. There were many Gods in greek Literature.
5. If you drive North on main street, you will arrive at courthouse square.
6. Keisha invited her friends to a Pool Party for her Birthday.

**Extra Practice: write a SHORT paragraph (4-6 sentences) about a school-appropriate topic. The paragraph must have no capitalization errors. It MUST include 1) a reference to a cardinal or intermediate direction (north, south, west, east, southwest etc.), 2) reference to a family member by their relationship to you (your uncle, aunt, mom, dad, etc.), 3) a reference to a season (spring, summer, winter etc.), and 4) a reference to anything in rule 3 (mentioned above). MAKE SURE CIRCLE each of the above items in the paragraph below so that they are easier to identify.**

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