

Checking/ clarifying language error correction

All the checking/ clarifying phrases below have a mistake, e.g. the wrong function, a missing word or a grammar mistake. Correct all of the phrases below.

Asking for repetition

Pardon me!

One more, please./ Can you say that one more?

Can you repeat that again?

Can you repeat the firstly part?

Can you repeat the last part little more slowly?

Can you repeat the mid part more slowly?

Asking about meaning

I'm afraid but I don't understand (...)

Sorry, I don't still understand (...)

What means that?/ What means...?

Can you explain a few more about that?/ Can you explain a few more about...?

Can you explain that in another words?

Can you tell an example (of what you mean/ of that/ of...t)?

Can I check the mean of...?

Do you say... (or...)?

Do I need a punctuation in that?

What is... stand for?

Asking about spelling

Can you check the spelling of...?

How are you spell...?

Is that (with) doubled P?

Does that spelt with C or K?

Is that for capital Q?

Double checking

Just to doubly check, can you tell me...?

So, that's C, A, S, E. Is it right?

What do you say your family name was again?

Confirming understanding

Okay, I see now, thanks.

Check your answers as a class or below.

Test each other on the phrases above:

- Read out an incorrect phrase and see if your partner can come up with a correct version. Phrases which are very different are fine as long as they are correct and have the right function.
- Read out the name of a function and help your partner come up with suitable phrases.

What similar functions and phrases can you think of for the language of opinions?

Suggested answers

Many other phrases with the same functions exist, so ask your teacher if you wrote something different.

Asking for repetition

Pardon?/ Sorry?

One more time, please./ Can you say that one more time?

Can you repeat that?/ Can you say that again?

Can you repeat the first part?

Can you repeat the last part a little more slowly?

Can you repeat the middle part more slowly?

Asking about meaning

I'm afraid I don't understand (...)

Sorry, I still don't understand (...)

What does that mean?/ What does... mean?

Can you explain a little more about that?/ Can you explain a little more about...?

Can you explain that in other words?/ Can you explain that (in) another way?

Can you give an example (of what you mean/ of that/ of...t)?

Can I check the meaning of...?

Did you say... (or...)?

Do I need any punctuation in that?

What does... stand for?

Asking about spelling

Can I check the spelling of...?

How do you spell...?

Is that (with) double P?

Is that spelt with C or K?

Is that with capital Q?

Double checking

Just to double check, can you tell me...?

So, that's C, A, S, E. Is that right?

What did you say your family name was again?

Confirming understanding

Okay, got it now, thanks.