



**Spring 2021**

**ENGL100. Homework (10%)**

**Rationale:** The purpose of this activity is to integrate the AUM eLearning Portal in the context of the course English for Academic Studies (ENGL100). The AUM eLearning Portal is an innovative platform that provides students with an excellent opportunity to improve their writing skills, in particular to strengthen their sentence skills and understanding of English sentence structure.

**Guidelines:**

Work individually.

Part 1. Complete the course “Creating Well-constructed Sentences” on AUM e-learning portal (<https://elearning.aum.edu.kw/aum/ldap/ldaplogin.aspx>). Take a screenshot of you Completion Report. (Read detailed guidelines in the file “Step-by-step guidelines for e-learning course”.)

Part 2. Read the given paragraph and evaluate the language it is written in. Write TWO comments about the good sides of the grammar structures used in the paragraph. Find FIVE mistakes and explain how they should be corrected. Each comment should be 20-50 words long. Focus on the following types of grammar mistakes: fragments, run-ons, misplaced modifiers, subject-verb agreement, use of clauses, consistency of pronouns, parallelism.

**NB:** There might be more than five language mistakes in the paragraph. Select any five.

Type your answers in the answer sheet. Submit your work as a file on your course Moodle page by 5 pm on **May 23, 2021** (Sunday).

Paragraph to evaluate:

<sup>1</sup>Have you ever thought about what might happen if you got lost in the desert, mountains, or forest? <sup>2</sup>Before you follow these tips, the chances are good that you will be rescued quickly. <sup>3</sup>First, always tell someone where he is going and what time you expect to return. <sup>4</sup> Next, make sure you are prepared for your trip into the wild by taking along important supplies, checking their quality, and prepare equipment. <sup>5</sup>Carry a map and a compass and make sure you know how to use it. <sup>6</sup>Along with these pieces of equipment, carry a backpack filled with first-aid kit, extra food and clothes, sunglasses, and a flashlight. <sup>7</sup>Also, wear a whistle around your neck. <sup>8</sup>When you get lost. <sup>9</sup>Blow it three times. <sup>10</sup>Furthermore, you may have to start a fire, so you will need waterproof matches or a lighter. <sup>11</sup>Finally, if you think you are lost, do not keep walking. <sup>12</sup>This make it more difficult for rescuers to find you stay calm because that could cause you to become confused. <sup>13</sup>The best choice is to wait for help. <sup>14</sup>While you wait, eat a meal or set up your tent. <sup>15</sup>Remember to keep this in mind: people will be looking for you. <sup>16</sup>If you plan, getting lost will not be a problem.

### Grading

Criteria	Points
The submission is original (not copied)	10
Part 1. The screenshot of the Completion Report is provided (80% or above)	20
Part 2. Two positive comments about the language of the given paragraph are provided. The answers are justified.	20
Part 2. Five mistakes in the given paragraph are identified. The mistakes are explained. Correction methods are suggested.	50
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>