

# EDITING MARKS AND CODES

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I use a mixture of standard editing marks and ones I have developed to save time in editing papers. You need to be aware of the codes, so they make sense to you.



When you see this, imagine me nodding my head up and down to note, confirm or acknowledge an idea you've presented. If it is large and dark, add, the vocalization, "OK." **The checks are good things.** (They are "backwards" to many of you because I am left-handed.)



Spelling <sup>Sp</sup>error needs corrected.



Start a new paragraph.



Delete the circled or underlined letter, word, phrase, sentence <sup>g</sup>or paragraph



Syntax problem; you have violated the rules of syntax making the sentence confusing or not understandable. Since that is incorrect. <sup>Syn</sup>



The sentence construction may not be incorrect, but awkward rather.                      <sup>awk</sup>



Wrong word used here. "We never <sup>hw</sup>stop their on our trip home."



Word choice is inappropriate. "The speaker <sup>wc</sup>screwed up."



Capitalize this letter. dr. Stoner



Use a lower case letter here. "The boy's Father was missing."



"I don't understand what you are saying here."



Insert letter, word, phrase, or sentence. "A person <sup>s</sup>reputation is valuable."



Reverse letters, or <sup>wp</sup>words.



Sentence fragments are not acceptable.