# An Amazing Fact a Day! Spot the Mistake

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Read the sentences below. Can you spot the spelling, grammar and punctuation mistakes?

- 1. There not in they're house because their over they're, in the park.
- 2. The golden sands felt warm and soothing beneth my worn out and weary feet. Their where beads of condensation dripping from my cold refreshing glass off water.

3. You're car is blocking are drive. Our you going to move it soon. I think your being most inconsiderate!

4. Swaying in the wind, the trees dances to the rythm of the storm. The moon looked down on the danced trees and smiled in ameusment at the glittering stars.

5. Running and smiling the children jumped out of the school and into the crystal wite blanket covering of snow. The glittering sn owflakes shined and twinkled as the children ranned past.



- 6. She was whereing a beautifull diamond ring.
- 7. The twins decided thei each wanted a smartphone for there birthday. they're parents decided they were to young for such an ecspensive gift. Begrudginly the twins agreed to a trip to the cinema with their friends.

8. They're house was the sppokyest looking house on are street. It had an angry face a creaky door a broken roof and an uninviting demeanour.

You could also try to find out:

- how the erasing power of rubber was discovered;
- when rubbers were first put on the end of pencils;
- how many pencils and erasers are made and sold in your country each year.



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<u>They're</u> not in <u>their</u> house because <u>they're</u> over <u>there</u> in the park.

2. The golden sands felt warm and soothing beneth my worn out and weary feet. Their where beads of condensation dripping from my cold refreshing glass off water.

The golden sands felt warm and soothing <u>beneath</u> my worn out and weary feet. <u>There were</u> beads of condensation dripping from my cold refreshing glass <u>of</u> water.

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### <u>Your</u> car is blocking <u>our</u> drive. <u>Are</u> you going to move it soon? I think <u>you're</u> being most inconsiderate!

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### Swaying in the wind, the trees <u>danced</u> to the <u>rhythm</u> of the storm. The moon looked down on the <u>dancing</u> trees and smiled in <u>amusement</u> at the glittering stars.

5. Running and smiling the children jumped out of the school and into the crystal wite blanket covering of snow. The glittering sn owflakes shined and twinkled as the children ranned past.

Running and smiling, the children jumped out of the school and into the crystal <u>white</u> blanket covering of snow. The glittering <u>snowflakes shone</u> and twinkled as the children <u>ran</u> past.

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<u>Their</u> house was the <u>spookiest</u> looking house on <u>our</u> street. It had an angry face, a creaky door, a broken roof and an uninviting demeanour.

