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# Rainbow Editing





Use colored pencils to edit the paragraph below. Then, try it with your own writing!



 **RED:** Draw an arrow in front of each new paragraph.


 **ORANGE:** Underline the capital letters at the beginning of every sentence, proper nouns, and the letter **I** by itself. Cross out any letters that should not be capitalized.


 **YELLOW:** Circle the punctuation at the end of every sentence. Add punctuation if it is missing.

 **GREEN:** Draw a box around transition words like *first*, *then*, *next*, or *after*. Make sure you are not using the same word too often.

 **BLUE:** Circle words you think might be misspelled.

 **PURPLE:** Draw a  around vivid verbs, interesting adjectives, and other descriptive words or figurative language, like metaphors. If you have fewer than three, add more!

 Last summer I visited Maine with my family. We stayed in a little blue house on the beach in Portland. Each morning, we sat on the porch and watched the sun rise. As the sun came up, we saw lots of birds flying low over the water; we even saw a pelikin catch a fish. Later in the day, when it warmed up, we walked along the water and looked for seashells. I found a cream colored shell that sparkled like glass in the sun.

 During our trip, we also took a boat tour around the islands of Casco Bay. In the bay, we saw lots of people fishing and a lobster boat. We also saw a lighthouse on a cliff. It was painted a brilliant white and nearby was a house with a crimson red roof. I took lots of pictures as we sailed by. I wish I could have seen it when it was lit up at night!