

Copy Editing Pilot

The Copy Editing Pilot test begins with the 2016 District Meet. Below are a few notes and resources for the pilot. A sample test is also posted online. If you have any comments, suggestions or questions, please contact Jeanne Acton, the journalism director, at jacton@uiltexas.org.

NOTES

- This is not a headline contest.
- This is not a current events contest.
- This is not the spelling contest, although some spelling may be included.
- Generally accepted copy editing and proofreading symbols should be used. However, such symbols are not standardized. Students should communicate clearly to the graders. If the symbols are unclear or ambiguous, the correction will be marked as an error.

RESOURCES

- Associated Press Stylebook, current year
- Merriam Webster's Collegiate Dictionary

COPY EDITING RESOURCES

- AP Stylebook Quizzes — <https://www.apstylebook.com/?do=product&pid=APQ-917360>
 - Dow Jones News Fund Editing Test — <http://www.editteach.org/specialprojects?id=8>
 - The Subversive Copy Editor — <http://www.subversivecopyeditor.com/blog/>
 - Writing English — <http://www.writingenglish.com/testlist.htm>
 - Purdue University Writing Lab — <https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/561/1/>
- Common Copy Editing and Proofreading Symbols — <http://www.dummies.com/how-to/content/copyediting-and-proofreading-for-dummies-cheat-sheet.html>