

GRAMMAR FORENSICS

Read the three ambiguous texts below. Use the Sleuth the Sentence strategy (explained below) to solve the Social Media post and the Text Message, and Comic Strip Analyzer below to analyze the Instruction Manual. Evaluate each ambiguous text to restate the text clearly.

Sleuth the Sentence	
<p>SOCIAL MEDIA POST</p> <p>JUST GOT BACK FROM LUNCH WITH SARAH AND TOLD HER ABOUT MY SISTER. SHE SAID SHE THINKS SHE SHOULD DEFINITELY TALK TO HER ABOUT IT BEFORE SHE MAKES ANY DECISIONS. REALLY HOPE SHE TAKES HER ADVICE! 🙌</p>	<p>TEXT MESSAGE</p> <p>hey! so i saw Jake with his brother at the mall and he told him that he really needs to return his jacket before he gets mad. he said he'd do it tomorrow but idk if he actually will lol</p>
<p>IDENTIFY POSSIBLE INTERPRETATIONS: What did the author or speaker mean? Use context clues and logical reasoning.</p>	
<p>WHY did the ambiguity occur?</p>	

ANALYZE THE GRAMMAR: Draw an Ambiguity Diagram of your own design. Try to map out the different possible meanings of an ambiguous sentence by showing how words and phrases connect to each other in multiple ways. Use figures, lines, arrows, and other symbols to represent the possible interpretations visually.

Show how to fix the ambiguity.

Comic Strip Analyzer

INSTRUCTIONAL MANUAL

Assembly Instructions—Step 5:

Place the mounting bracket onto the base panel and align it with the pre-drilled holes. Insert the screws through it and tighten them with the hex wrench. Make sure it is firmly secured before attaching it to the frame. If it becomes loose during installation, remove it and reapply the adhesive strip to it before reinstalling it.

Draw a picture representing the instructions as written.

Draw one interpretation of the instructions.

Draw another interpretation of the instructions.

Draw and label a picture explaining the correct interpretation.