CORRECTION SYMBOLS

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abt  about
agr/pr  agreement/pr–lack of agreement between pronoun and referent
agr/sv  agreement/sv–lack of agreement between subject and verb
avoid  avoid using the underlined words or phrases
awk  awkward–rewrite using more idiomatic English
cap  capital–capitalize underlined word
c  case–wrong pronoun case
coh  coherence–a smoother transition needed, too much of a jump in the trend of thought
cont  contraction–avoid using contractions
d  diction–select a word that is exact, idiomatic, and fresh
d/p  diction/pompous–language too stilted and artificially formal
d/sl  diction/slang–do not use slang in formal writing
d/sp  diction/specific–word is too vague or general; use a more specific word
d/t  diction/trite–do not use trite expressions or words
d/ww  diction/wrong word–the word chosen says something other than what the writer means
dm  dangling modifiers–modifier does not refer clearly and logically to some word in the sentence
frag  fragment–incomplete group of words
mm  misplaced modifiers–adjectives or adjective phrase should be placed as close as possible to the word modified
no cap  do not capitalize–underlined word should be in lower case
non-sequitur  does not follow–faculty logic, sentence does not follow assertions of preceeding sentence (s)
no numb  no number–spell out the number
num  number–write the number using numerals
¶  paragraph–begin a new paragraph
pas  passive voice–change the sentence to the active voice
pv  point of view–avoid using “you” or “I”; use the 3rd person
ref  reference–ambiguous or incorrect referent
rewrite  rewrite–sentence does not make any sense; rewrite it
ro  run on–incorrect joining of 2 independent clauses
sp  spelling–misspelled word
sub  subordination–subordinate the sentences marked
t  tense–incorrect tense used
trans  transition–need to provide a smooth transition between the 2 sentences or paragraphs
un ques  unnecessary question–avoid using questions
var  variety–change the sentence patterns
yuk  yuk–I hate it; use another word
w  wordiness–eliminate some words
unnecessary punctuation—eliminate it
parallelism—lack of parallel structure
punctuation mark should be inserted