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Capitalization Rules

Capitalize...

- 1. the first word of every sentence.
- 2. the names of the days of the week, months, and holidays, but not the seasons.
- 3. all proper nouns (names of specific people, places, things): John Smith; Kelowna; Diet Pepsi.
- 4. the regions of the country, but not compass points or directions, like drive <u>east</u> for two kilometers.
- 5. people's titles when used with or in place of their names: Mr. Smith, General Smith, Mayor Smith Mom, can you drive me please?
- 6. specific organizations, companies, schools, hospitals, places of worship, buildings: the Eiffel Tower, Chief Tomat Elementary, Langley Memorial General Hospital.
- 7. the first word in a direct quotation.
- 8. nouns or adjectives that refer to specific languages, nationalities, races, and religions.
- 9. the first and all other important words in a title: To Kill a Mockingbird.