

# National Grammar Day

It's that time of year again! Come join us at UWF's Annual Articulation Conference on SATURDAY, MARCH 3, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the UWF Conference Center. GRAMMAR JEOPARDY and the "GRAMMAR AND ME" ESSAY CONTEST will be held from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.

## Rules for "Grammar and Me" Essay Contest

Here's your opportunity to express yourself about the English language. In your "Grammar and Me" essay, focus on your relationship with grammar and the English language, describing and/or explaining whether your experience with grammar has been a positive or negative one. Are you a grammar "junkie," a grammar guru, a grammar "nerd," a grammarian wannabe, or have your teachers and other readers of your writing considered you "grammarless"?

Remember, this essay should demonstrate that you, as an essay contestant, have a mastery of the English language, a skill which allows you to express yourself correctly and coherently.

### Rules

1. Participants may enter in one of four categories:  
CATEGORY 1: Elementary and Middle School Students  
CATEGORY 2: High School Students  
CATEGORY 3: College Students and the General Public  
CATEGORY 4: Faculty and Staff
2. The format of the entry must be a multi-paragraph essay.
3. "Grammar and Me" Essays should be a maximum of 400 words.
4. The essay may be written from first or third person and should include a creative title that is not underlined or quoted.
4. DEADLINE: Essays will be accepted until February 24, 2012, at 5:00 p.m.
5. Essays should be typed or computer generated and double-spaced, with only the title of the participant's essay at the top of each page. A title page with the participant's name, essay title, contact information, and participation category should be included with the essay.
6. Essays may be submitted in either of the following ways:

Emailed as a Word document attachment to [nationalgrammarday@uwf.edu](mailto:nationalgrammarday@uwf.edu)

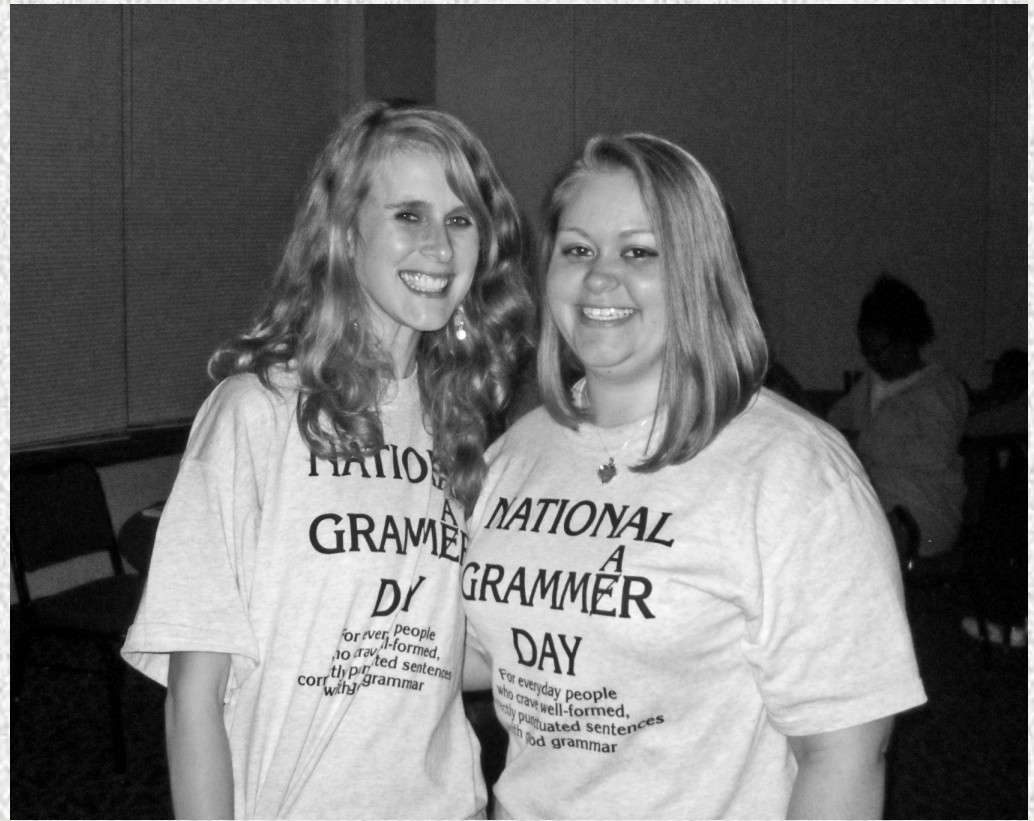
Dropped off in person at the Writing Lab's appointment desk (Building 51, Room 157)

Postal/snail mailed to this address:

UWF Writing Lab  
University of West Florida  
11000 University Parkway  
Building 51, Room 157  
Pensacola, Florida 32514

Essays submitted via mail should be postmarked no later than February 24, 2012.

7. Winners of the "Grammar and Me" Essay Contest will be announced on March 3 during the 1:30 p.m. National Grammar Day segment of UWF's Annual Articulation Conference to be held in the UWF Conference Center.



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## Grammar Jeopardy

The Writing Lab is looking for contestants for Grammar Jeopardy, which will be held on Saturday, March 3, during UWF's Annual Articulation Conference. People who sign up by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 22, will have their names placed in a drawing to be in Grammar Jeopardy. The Writing Lab will inform chosen contestants by Friday, February 24, and requests that contestants confirm their participation by Monday, February 27, at 5:00 p.m. If you are interested in signing up, please email the Writing Lab at [nationalgrammarday@gmail.com](mailto:nationalgrammarday@gmail.com) or call [850-474-2129](tel:850-474-2129). You may also stop by the Writing Lab Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Participants should sign up for one of two categories: students and the general public or faculty and staff. When signing up to participate, please include your name, entry category, email, and phone number.

This information is what appears on the sign-up sheet in the Writing Lab.

## Submissions for Grammatical Hall of Shame

There are four categories for this contest, and the categories are the same as those for the Essay Contest. Submissions can include grammatical errors found in the community, online, and in books or magazines. Participants are allowed to enter up to five errors. Prizes will be awarded for the first-place winners in each category. Participants must enter submissions by February 24 at 5:00 p.m. as an email attachment to [nationalgrammarday@gmail.com](mailto:nationalgrammarday@gmail.com).