

# *Mechanics Mania*



# *Proofreading*



- **Proofreading involves applying an understanding of punctuation and capitalization rules to review written works.**

*An interesting way to improve proofreading skills for punctuation and capitalization is to develop sentences with punctuation and capitalization errors.*

*The following is an example:*

- No punctuation or capitalization:  
i bought eggs bacon and juice
- Punctuation and capitalization:  
I bought eggs, bacon, and juice.



*Which of the following sentences does not contain a capitalization mistake?*



- A. We watch fireworks on the Fourth of july.**
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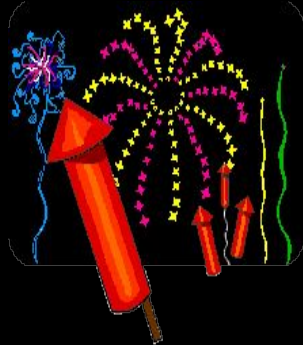
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- C. The title of the book is the Wipple Mystery
- D. The title of the book is the wipple mystery.

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*THAT'S ALL FOLKS!*