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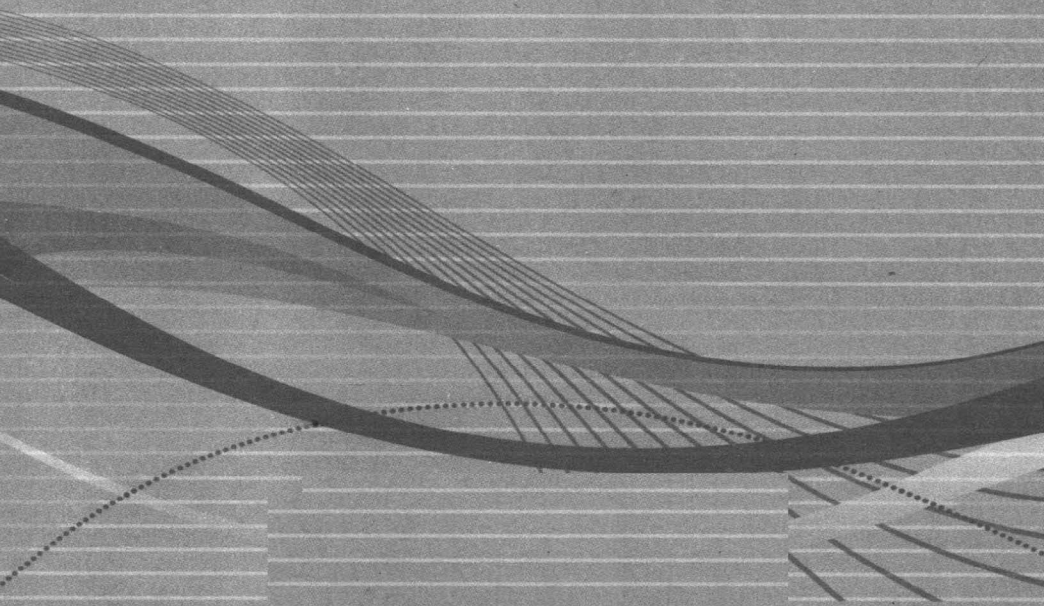

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Note to Students

We would like to introduce you to the eighth edition of *The Wadsworth Handbook*, a comprehensive writing guide for college students. Our goal in this text remains the same as it was in the first edition: to help you produce sound academic writing. To this end, we provide practical support for the writing and research projects that will be important to you in your academic careers and in your professional careers as well.

The Wadsworth Handbook, which comes out of our many years of hands-on experience as teachers of writing, offers full coverage of all the topics we see as essential for writers: the writing process, critical thinking, argumentation, the research process, common sentence errors, grammar and style, punctuation and mechanics, and English for speakers of other languages. We also explain specific academic success strategies as well as conventions of writing in various disciplines. In addition, the book includes the most up-to-date information on writing in an electronic environment; visual rhetoric; MLA, APA, Chicago, and CSE documentation; writing in the disciplines; document design; and Web page design. Throughout the text, practice exercises are provided to reinforce writing skills.

As writers, you already know that to express your ideas clearly, you need to understand the basic principles of grammar, mechanics, and style. In addition, however, writers in the digital age also need to know how computers can help them communicate their ideas to others more effectively, whether they are writing for an academic audience or on the job for a business audience. In fact, in all the writing you do—regardless of your purpose or audience—technology plays an ever-increasing role in helping you to convey your ideas. For this reason, it is very important that you have a clear understanding of the relationship between technology and writing.

We revised *The Wadsworth Handbook* with this idea in mind. The result is a book that you can depend on to give you sound, sensible advice about writing as well as about the electronic tools that define the twenty-first-century writing environment. We hope you will find *The Wadsworth Handbook* a resource that you can turn to again and again as you write in college and beyond.

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March 2007

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Features of This Book

- **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)** appear at the beginning of each chapter. A marginal FAQ icon appears in the chapter beside each answer.
- **Computer tips** highlight specific ways in which technology can help you throughout the writing, revising, and editing processes. Each computer tip includes the URL for the book's companion Web site, <http://thomsonedu.com/english/kirsznermandell/>, which contains a wealth of online resources.
- **Grammar checker boxes** illustrating sample errors show the advantages and disadvantages of using a grammar checker.
- **Numerous checklists** summarize key information that you can quickly access as needed.
- **Close-up boxes** provide an in-depth look at some of the more perplexing writing-related issues you will encounter.
- **Parts 4–5** include the most up-to-date documentation and format guidelines from the Modern Language Association, the American Psychological Association, the University of Chicago Press, and the Council of Science Editors.
- **Newly designed documentation directories** make it easy for you to locate models for various kinds of sources, including those found online from library subscription services such as InfoTrac® and Lexis-Nexis™. In addition, annotated diagrams of sample works-cited entries clearly illustrate the elements of proper documentation.
- **Marginal cross-references** throughout the book allow you to flip directly to other sections that treat topics in more detail.
- **Marginal ESL cross-references** throughout the book direct you to sections of Part 13, "Bilingual and ESL Writers," where concepts are presented as they apply specifically to second-language writers.
- **ESL tips** are woven throughout the text to explain concepts in relation to the unique experiences of bilingual students.
- **Getting Help from the Dictionary boxes** appear throughout Chapter 63, "Grammar and Style for ESL Writers," offering bilingual students practical advice for using a dictionary effectively.

- **Numerous exercises** throughout the text allow you to practice at each stage of the writing, revising, and editing processes.
- **Numerous annotated sample documents**, created by both student and professional writers, illustrate the principles of effective print and electronic document design.
- **An extensive writing-centered treatment of grammar, punctuation, and mechanics**, including hand-edited examples, explains and illustrates specific strategies for improving your writing.

Note to Instructors

In this eighth edition of *The Wadsworth Handbook*, our goal is to show students how they can become more effective and confident writers. To this end, the first half of the book focuses on writing and research as well as strategies for academic success. Here we also include material to help students create and interpret visual texts as well as a chapter that guides students through the process of writing effective and compelling literary arguments. The second half of *The Wadsworth Handbook*, which deals with grammar, punctuation, and mechanics, has also been reworked to reflect our focus on student writing. Grammar checker boxes, which include sample screen shots, appear in almost every chapter, acknowledging the role computer technology plays in the revising and editing processes. Finally, we illustrate how the rules of grammar, punctuation, and mechanics operate in real-world contexts—for example, in advertisements, emails, and text messages.

Despite our focus on the electronic tools that students have at their disposal, we have not forgotten the fundamental reason students consult a handbook: to become more effective, more confident writers. Accordingly, in addition to adding checklists and revising close-up boxes, we have strengthened basic discussions of the writing process, research, grammar, style, and mechanics. For example, we have streamlined our coverage of writing essays and research papers, and we have added more examples of electronic sources and redesigned the documentation directories to make them easier to navigate. Finally, we have expanded our treatment of English for speakers of other languages in Part 13, "Bilingual and ESL Writers," by adding a new Chapter 62, "Adjusting to the US Classroom."

Although *The Wadsworth Handbook*, Eighth Edition, is grounded in the most up-to-date research in composition and rhetoric, it is also informed by our many years of classroom teaching. We began our careers as teachers of composition as graduate students in Temple University's basic writing program; years later, we both still teach first-year students. We were colleagues before we became textbook writers, and our struggle to create useful instructional materials for the students we were teaching was our first collaboration. Today, we

continue to search for what works for our students—for what they will need to succeed in college and on the job. Our goal with this new edition of *The Wadsworth Handbook* is to define the challenges that real writers will encounter in the digital writing environment of the twenty-first century and to provide students with clear choices and pragmatic advice. The result, we hope, is a book that both students and instructors will trust—and one that they will use with ease and, perhaps, even with pleasure.

New to the Eighth Edition

- An expanded Part 2, "Thinking Critically and Writing Arguments," includes even more coverage of using logic, using visuals to support arguments, and writing electronic arguments.
- Newly designed documentation directories make it much easier for students to locate models for print and electronic sources—including online sources from library subscription services such as InfoTrac® and Lexis-Nexis™.
- A new Chapter 24, "Writing a Literary Argument," walks students through the steps of planning, organizing, and writing an effective literary argument.
- A new Chapter 62, "Adjusting to the US Classroom," provides strategies for bilingual and ESL writers to understand the writing process, English language basics, and the value of editing their work.
- New grammar checker boxes illustrating sample errors show the advantages and limitations of using a grammar checker.
- A streamlined new design makes the book easier to navigate.

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Move from an Assignment to a Topic, **13a**	_____	_____
Do Exploratory Research and Formulate a Research Question, **13b**	_____	_____
Assemble a Working Bibliography, **13c**	_____	_____
Develop a Tentative Thesis, **13d**	_____	_____
Do Focused Research, **13e**	_____	_____
Take Notes, **13f**	_____	_____
Fine-Tune Your Thesis, **13g**	_____	_____
Outline Your Paper, **13h**	_____	_____
Draft Your Paper, **13i**	_____	_____
Revise Your Paper, **13j**	_____	_____
Prepare Your Final Draft, **13k**	_____	_____

CHECKLIST

Avoiding Plagiarism

- ☐ **Take careful notes.** Be sure you have recorded information from your sources carefully and accurately.
- ☐ **In your notes, clearly identify borrowed material.** In handwritten notes, put all words borrowed from your sources inside circled quotation marks, and enclose your own comments within brackets. If you are taking notes on a computer, boldface all quotation marks.
- ☐ **In your paper, differentiate your ideas from those of your sources** by clearly introducing borrowed material with an identifying tag and by following it with documentation.
- ☐ **Enclose all direct quotations** used in your paper within quotation marks.
- ☐ **Review all paraphrases and summaries** in your paper to make certain they are in your own words and that any distinctive words and phrases from a source are quoted.
- ☐ **Document all quoted material and all paraphrases and summaries** of your sources.
- ☐ **Document all information** that is open to dispute or that is not common knowledge.
- ☐ **Document all opinions, conclusions, figures, tables, statistics, graphs, and charts** taken from a source.
- ☐ **Never submit the work of another person as your own.** Do not buy a paper from an online paper mill or use a paper written by a friend. In addition, never include in your paper passages that have been written by a friend, relative, or writing tutor.
- ☐ **Never use sources that you have not actually read (or invent sources that do not exist).**

Correction Symbols

abbr Incorrect abbreviation: **60a–c**; *editing misuse*, **60d**

ad Incorrect adjective: **33c1**; **46d**; **50a–b**; *comparative/superlative forms*, **50d**; *avoiding double negatives*, **50e**

adv Incorrect adverb: **33c1**; **46e**; **50a**; **50c**; *comparative/superlative forms*, **50d**; *avoiding double negatives*, **50e**

agr Faulty agreement: *subject/verb*, **49a**; *pronoun/antecedent*, **49b**

aud Audience not clear: *identifying audience*, **1b**; *in the disciplines*, **22a**; **25a**; **26a**

awk Awkward: **42a–d**

ca Incorrect case: **47a**; *case in special situations*, **47b**

cap Incorrect capitalization: **57a–e**; *editing misuse*, **57f**

coh Lack of coherence: *paragraphs*, **7b**

con Be more concise: **37a–c**

cs Comma splice: *correcting*, **39b–e**

d Inappropriate diction: *appropriate words*, **43a**; *inappropriate figures of speech*, **43c**; *inappropriate language*, **43d**; *offensive language*, **43e**

dead Deadwood: **37a1**

det Use concrete details: **43b3–4**

dev Inadequate development: **7c**

dm Dangling modifier: **40c**

doc Incorrect or inadequate documentation: *MLA*, **18a**; *APA*, **19a**; *Chicago*, **20a**; *CSE*, **21a**

emp Inadequate or unclear emphasis: **36a–e**

exact Use more exact word: **43b**

fig Inappropriate figure of speech: **43c**

frag Sentence fragment: **38b–e**

fs Fused sentence: *correcting*, **39b–e**

ital Use italics: **58a–c**; *for emphasis or clarity*, **58d**

lc Use lowercase: *editing misuse of capitals*, **57f**

log Incorrect or faulty logic: **8a–c**; **9a–d**; **42d**

mix Mixed construction: **42b**

mm Misplaced modifier: **40a**

ms Incorrect manuscript form: *MLA*, **18b**; *APA*, **19b**; *Chicago*, **20b**; *CSE*, **21b**

num Incorrect use of numeral or spelled-out number: **54b2**; **61a–b**

p Punctuation error: **Ch. 51–56**

par or ¶ New paragraph: *paragraph checklist*, **p. 78**

no ¶ No paragraph: *paragraph checklist*, **p. 78**

¶ coh Paragraph not coherent: **7b**

¶ dev Paragraph not developed: **7c**

¶ un Paragraph not unified: **7a**

plan Lack of planning: **4a–e**; **10a**; **28a**; **31a**; **32b**

purp Purpose not clear: *determining purpose*, **1a**; *purpose checklist*, **p. 5**; *in the disciplines*, **22a**; **25a**; **26a**

ref Incorrect pronoun reference: **47c**

rep Unnecessary repetition: *eliminating*, **37b**

rev Revise: **6b–d**; **10d2**; **13j**; **28c**

run-on Run-on sentence: *correcting*, **39b–e**

shift Unwarranted shift: **42a**

sl Inappropriate use of slang: *level of diction*, **43a2**

sp Spelling error: **45a–c**

sxt Sexist or biased language: **43e2**

thesis Unclear or unstated thesis: **5a–b**; **13d**; **13g**

var Lack of sentence variety: **35a–f**

w Wordiness: *eliminating*, **37a**; **37c4–5**

' Apostrophe: **54a–c**; *editing misuse*, **54d**

[ ] Brackets: **56d**

: Colon: **56a1–3**; *editing misuse*, **56a4**

^ Comma: **52a–f**; *editing misuse*, **52g**

— Dash: **56b1–3**; *editing overuse*, **56b4**

. . . Ellipsis: **56f**

! Exclamation point: **51c**

// Faulty parallelism: *using parallelism*, **36c**; **41a**; *revising*, **41b**

- Hyphen: **59a–b**

( ) Parentheses: **56c**

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