

Capitalization

AP Style

TODAY

*We will learn the **proper**
times to capitalize words.*

*I will copy edit work using
my knowledge of
capitalization in the AP
Stylebook.*

ON YOUR OWN

Edit the sentence on the right to correct it. There are four errors.

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Corrected sentence.

*The **g**olf team won its district championship last week, citing the new **N**ike sponsorship, according to coach Michael **Y**awn.*

YOU SHOULD HAVE LEARNED

- 1. Capitalize all beginnings of sentences every time, even in direct quotes.*
- 2. Capitalize all proper nouns but not informal nouns. Brand names can be tricky.*
- 3. Capitalize many derivatives of proper nouns but check the AP Stylebook that it hasn't been lowercased.*
- 4. Capitalize ONLY formal titles right before names. Informal titles, or formal titles after a name or alone get lowercased.*

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