**Study Guide**

**Spelling/Vocabulary**

**Test on 3/19/20**

1. **polite request:** asks a person to do something or to provide information

*Will you hand that to your witness.*

1. **elliptical question:** a series of questions in which the construction is parallel and the subsequent questions after the first one are fragments

*Could you see 10 feet? 20 feet? 30 feet?*

1. **discourse:** relating a conversation that has taken place

*He said to me, “I don’t think I can take much more.”*

1. **appositive:** a noun or pronoun that renames another noun or pronoun.

*We needed the help of his wife, JoAnn Norwood.*

1. **run-on sentence:** two independent sentences combined in such a way that it looks as if they are one sentence.
2. **conjunctive adverb:** connects two independent clauses and shows a relationship between the two.

*I left early; therefore, I missed the uproar.*

1. **semicolon:** separates two independent clauses in a compound sentence; used to separate items in a series where commas are already in use
2. **colon:** can be used to introduce an example or series of items, or to join two independent clauses where the second clause explains the first
3. **comma:** used to separate elements of a sentence or to separate items in a list when commas are being used
4. **tag clause:** an element that is tacked onto or inserted into a sentence to turn a statement into a question.

*He was addressing his boss; is that correct?*

1. **parenthetical:** a word, phrase, or clause that is not essential to the meaning of the sentence.

*On the other hand, I was not included in that decision.*

1. **interjection:** a word that shows mild or strong emotion
2. **acronym:** an abbreviation that is pronounced as a word rather than as individual letters.
3. **hyphen:** joins two (sometimes more) words together into a compound word
4. **ellipsis:** used to indicate a pause or gap; used within quotations to indicate missing words; should always consist of three dots