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Because everybody
needs an editor . . .

and a newsletter

Just my style

Style means so many things to people. The perfect pair of shoes. A well-tailored suit. Just the right piece of jewelry.

Those people probably aren't editors. Let me tell you about editors. They are different from you and me. Style guidance in the book business has nothing to do with accessorizing or whether it's okay to wear white after Labor Day. I explain it all in a wildly entertaining blog post [that you can read when you click here](#).

And if one gratuitous reference to a famous literary work was not enough for you, fret not because I have another teed up in the blog post.



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YOU make the call



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Okay, pally, time to see where that book you wrote is going to end up.

Scoring:

All correct: Bestseller

One wrong: Remaindered

Two or more wrong: Slush pile

Correct answers are based on *Chicago Manual of Style* guidelines. You have to click through to [Take My Word for It](#), my blog, to see the correct answers. [Go ahead, click](#). The blog is more useful than this newsletter, anyway.

Wearing attractive sun hats, sharks attacked people on the beach.

This sentence is wrong because

- It has a dangling modifier.
- Sharks attack people in the water not on the beach.
- It doesn't make a lick of sense.
- All of the above.

Michael returned from Costco with five dozen eggs, a pallet of noodles and a samovar.

- This sentence is correct.
- This sentence is incorrect.

Sophocles' intent was to write comedies but most critics say he failed.

- a. This has one mistake.
- b. This has two mistakes.
- c. This has three mistakes.

[Click here for answers.](#)

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