ENGELSKLÆRERENS ØVELSESBOG



6.7 Korrekturlæsning

- 1. Zoom in on your text. Show your text in 180 %. It's much easier to catch mistakes you can **Sea** than mistakes hiden away by small writing.
- 2. Use your spell checker wisely. Make sure it is set to English, and double check any read or blue lines. The spell checker will often have a better suggestion for you, but sometimes it may be wrong or it may miss certain typos. A grammatical mistake like "I hasn't seen it" will most likely be caught by your spell- and grammar checker, but the same spell checker might not understand witch mistakes I made just righting this.
- 3. Look up <u>any</u> word you may be insecure about. Are you absolutely sure whether you meant weather or whether just now? Or is it principal or principle? Or did you mean conscience or conscious?
- 4. How about sentence structure? When you started out this sentence and forgot to end it again with a main clause. Read your text aloud to yourself. Or read it in your head with a silent mime if you are not alone. Reading aloud (even if it is just in your head with a mime) forces you to slow down your reading. It will increase your chances of correcting sentence fragments and avoiding run-on-sentences that should really have been split up by a punctuation mark.
- 5. Finally, be aware of some of your own typical grammatical mistakes. Do you have a tendency to write "ain't" instead of "aren't"? Or maybe your teacher constantly nags you about that little apostrophe in the genitive? Look through feedback from your teacher and identify mistakes you typically make. Make sure your proofreading focusses on these mistakes.