

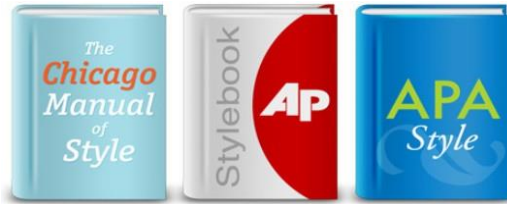
Editing Services

Key Features



Genre Specific Editor

We will provide an editor per the genre of the work.



Choice of Editing Style Manual

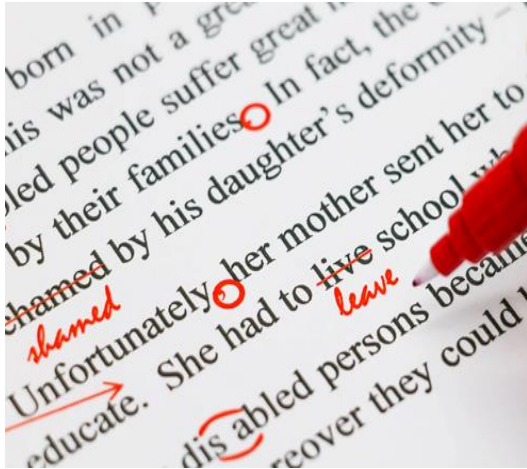
You may choose from popular style manuals such as the Chicago Style manual or the Oxford Style guide. We can also help in recommending the best editing style for your work.



Choice of Language format

You may choose the language format for your work from US English, UK English or International English.

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Proofreading is a virtual necessity for a manuscript about to be published to ensure that a 'clean' (error-free) manuscript is sent to the printer or the e-book processor. Proofreading is done at the final stage of a manuscript where detail-oriented language experts check the text for typos and basic grammatical and spelling errors. Proofreaders also make sure the appearance of the book is uniform and pleasing and that the style sheet has been followed faithfully.

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Timeline: 1 – 3 weeks depending on the length of the manuscript

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The Editor will make sure scenes are tightened up, that the language is spot on and will check if an interesting chapter or section should be brought forward or moved back.

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Timeline: 4 – 6 weeks depending on the length of the manuscript



Language formats & guidelines

The Oxford Style Guide



The University style guide is the house style of The Oxford University and is meant for use and reference when writing or editing material for University publications. Over a period, this has become one of the most respected style guides for the usage of UK English.

Language formats & guidelines

The Economist Style Guide



The Economist Style Guide is the house style of the British newspaper, The Economist. Although the style guide was originally meant for journalism, it has many users across industries and can be adopted by writers as well. This guide could be followed for manuscripts with focus on crisp content rather than description and narrative.

Language formats & guidelines

The Chicago Manual of Style



The Chicago Manual of Style is one of most respected style guides for American English. This style guide, published by the University of Chicago Press, is extensively used for fiction and non-fiction publications in the USA and elsewhere.

What if neither UK English nor US English is followed?

A GUIDE TO POMPEY DIALECT

- **Don't be squinny** - Stop complaining
- **You're a roight skank** - You are disgusting
- **It's duffed** - It is broken
- **Noice one matey** - Well done
- **Scummer** - A resident of the neighbouring city of Southampton
- **E's a right dinlo** - He is a complete idiot
- **Knuckle dayn mate** - Get on with it

Regional Colloquialisms

A lot of Indian Authors are influenced by our British-inspired education on one hand and the growing exposure to American English through movies and literature, on the other. As a result, some manuscripts tend to be a concoction of the two native versions.



International English, i.e. English as it is actually being used and developed in the world - as a language owned not just by native speakers, but by all those who come to use it - is now increasingly accepted throughout the world.

Though a style guide for International English is yet to be established, our well-read editors bring about uniformity in the writing style while retaining the author's voice.

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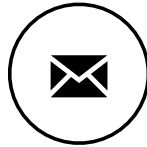


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