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Poor Grammar in Today’s Society

To say that poor grammar in today’s society is common, would be an understatement. Our idea to keep conversations short and sweet makes for shortening words, essentially chewing them up and spitting them out. Ruining the English language in just a few short strokes of the hand. We make it easy for the younger generations to continue in our path, a self-destructive path of poor language and grammar skills.

The use of cellular devices has highly influenced how we communicate with each other. Abbreviating full sayings into just a couple of letters is what has become common knowledge amongst society, nowadays. We may not understand the difference in their, they’re and there; however, we know how to abbreviate “rolling on the floor laughing”.

Social networking has also largely influenced our poor grammar usage. The shortening of words and phrases has become so prevalent. Facebook, Twitter, Instagram – they all encourage the short, sweet, and to the point expression. Long gone are the days where we would properly explain our stand on social issues, debate on our beliefs, or explain a misunderstanding. Now, we limit our opinion to no more than 280 characters.

Poor enunciation is also a widespread issue. It’s understandable to have different accents; however, being unable to pronounce a simple word correctly is devastating. As a society, we have the innate ability to ruin the English language. Sadly, we see it not as a problem – we see it as a regional situation. Excusing our poor ability to speak correctly, we blame on our surroundings, without acknowledging first that we are the main culprits.

To accept that we are butchering the English language, is beyond our realm of understanding. We must acknowledge that we have let devices, social networks & poor enunciation take over our lives. By taking a stand to learn and execute that knowledge, we promise our future generations a much better way to communicate.