Pronoun Reference – Exercise 4

Directions: In the space provided, fix the underlined error. Check your answers with the interactive version of the exercise.

1. Dr. Skinner, our psychology instructor, explained that Tweety, which is a Looney Tunes cartoon character, has passive-aggressive tendencies.

2. I hate driving my brother’s truck because it always breaks down when you are in the middle of a busy intersection.

3. To save money, the manager told Jimmy, his employee, that he needed to use more of the cheap lettuce and less of the expensive taco beef.

4. The dog’s nose sniffed the floor as it searched for crumbs under the dining room table.

5. My lawn service company owes me $50 because he destroyed my collection of plastic flamingoes with a high-powered mower.

6. While Ben was picking brown lettuce out of his beef burrito, a cockroach crawled from underneath the shredded cheese. This really distressed poor Ben.

7. It says in this supermarket tabloid that extraterrestrials have kidnapped the President’s brain.
8. The car passengers were blasting music and throwing recyclable aluminum soda cans out the windows. It really upset Erin, who drove behind them.

9. Gladys’ long hair stuck to the mashed potatoes with gravy as she sat on the windy patio of the campus cafeteria.

10. Betty prefers eyeglasses to contact lenses because she doesn’t have to worry about bugs bouncing off her corneas.

11. While fishing, we saw explosions of bubbles on the surface of the waves. They say that over 100 boats have vanished in this area of the Bermuda Triangle.

12. Coach’s bald head was so shiny that he inadvertently blinded his own quarterback during the last seconds of the close game.

13. Cisco loves the mythological stories from ancient Egypt, so he plans to study even more of it during summer break.

14. Stephanie insists on running before the sun sets, for she never knows what kind of nutcase will be prowling the streets after dark.

15. At the mall, Eboni and Andrea browsed for two hours before she finally decided to buy Samuel a new leather jacket for his birthday.

16. Lincoln refuses to own a white car because one hour after you wash it, the paint is powdered with gray dust.

17. The sun-blistered paint and clouds of black exhaust attest to Diane’s poor care of it.
18. During her speech, Lucy spoke with heart-felt conviction about animal cruelty. She loves them very much and hates to see a single one hurt or in pain.

19. Clarence always brings a tape recorder to class because you never know when Dr. Wilson will drop an important clue about the next chemistry test.

20. Jennifer explained to Samantha that she needed to comb her wild hair before her interviews with the recruiters began on campus later that afternoon.