EMAIL PRACTICE 1

Look at Example 1.

Label the five parts of the email message.

What's wrong with this message? How many different kinds of mistakes can you find in this message?

EXAMPLE 1

From a past student (exactly as received with no changes)

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Subject: professor!

Professor! how are you? 2 Do you remember me?? I was a student who was taking 3 advanced conversation class last year and got a job in Singapore. These days, too many things bother me a lot. So I try to change a job. I make a resume and cover letter. I am very shy to -4 show you and it seems very ridiculous but I need your help. This resume is for HR department. Actually I want to 5 make it complete but my brain just stopped. give me 6 some advice please.... Thank you sir! 7 INTRODUCTION ATTACHEMENTS BODY

SUBJECT REQUEST GREETING CLOSING

Professional Email Writing: General Tips

- 1. Always use a subject that describes what's in the e-mail.
- 2. Salutation (start the email): Hello Mr. Whyte is okay. Or just the person's name is okay. Dear Mr. Whyte is better for a letter.
- 3. The first sentence should explain why you are sending an e-mail.
- 4. The body should have short, well spaced paragraphs. Spacing make sit easy to scan.
- 5. If your email has attachments, add a sentence to say that.
- 6. If you make a request be clear. What do you want?
- 7. Finish with a simple good-bye. "Thank you for your help. I look forward to you answer." If important add a phone number.