Exercise: In the following essay, the bold underlined words are not correct. Write the correct word above each underlined error. Use a dictionary if necessary to check for the correct word forms.

The novel *Travels with Charley* describes the America that John Steinbeck discovers as he travels from one coastal to the other. He is traveling alone accept for a companion named Charley, a big friend dog. We get to know Charley good by the end of the book because the author spends so much time with him. Even though Charley is lazy, he is more smart than other dogs. And in some cases Steinbeck is even foolisher than Charley. Charley is a trustworthy dog. He also adds excited moments to the story. In fact, what Charley does when Steinbeck is stopped by the Canadian police is one of the interestingest parts of the novel.

Even with it's good parts, we were disappointing in *Travels with Charley*. We both expected ro read more about North American life then Charley's adventures. The pleasantest part of the book is when Steinbeck writes about the North American scenery and people.

Exercise: Read the following paragraph. Complete the paragraph with the correct form of each word given. If necessary, use a dictionary to select suffixes for different parts of speech.

The traditional roles that men and women have played throughout history have been very (differ) . In many (culture), the majority of jobs and activities are still divided into men's or women's work although this practice is changing. In (tradition) cultures or families, the women accept the subservient role and are (depend) on men for (finance) support and leadership within the family. In many parts of the world, these roles are changing as women take over some of the duties that men have (tradition) held. In many cases men (glad) hand over their positions of dominance. Men and women now have equal educational opportunities and job prospects after their (graduate) from high school or college. It is impossible to say which system is the (good) one, but people no longer question a woman's right to pursue a career and have a family or a man's (decide) to make the family his first priority. These are (signify) advances for both sexes and changes that make life (easy) than it was in the past.

Exercise: The following paragraph has ten errors in the use of word forms and easily confused words. Find and correct the errors. If necessary, use a dictionary to find the correct word form.

When I am asked to describe myself as a writer, I have a difficult time writing down my thoughts. I am a slowly writer and find the most tough part of an essay to write is the introduction. Sometimes I sit impatient in front of the computer for hours with only a few words to show for my time. I know writing is a slow process, but I am frustrating a lot of the time. Once I am passed the introduction, I write the body and conclusion more rapid. In fact, to be honest, I almost enjoy writing by the time I finish a paper. It's a big accomplishment, and I always feel proud of myself. In-class writing can be an even
bigger problem than out-of-class writing. An essay exam is always frightened, especially when I'm given only a short period of time to complete it. I usually write very slow on these tests and never have time to finish. Even though writing makes me feel uncomfortable, I know I have to work on this importance skill. I definitely plan on becoming a good writer as quickly as possible. My teachers keep telling me that if I write oftener, I'll be more comfortable and less anxious about putting my thoughts on paper.