

1. TURN IT ON. Open a Google doc or slide, click the e-Comments icon in the extension toolbar, and slide the button to the *on* position.

2. IDENTIFY WRITING ISSUES IN THE DOC OR SLIDE. 3. CLICK THE BLUE BUTTONS TO INSERT COMMENTS.

Highlight a section or simply click on the writer's text. Click the blue button on the e-Comments menu which addresses the writing issue and the comment appears in the margin of the writer's text.

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Delete Unnecessary Expressions:
Delete words, phrases, and clauses that do not add meaning.
Examples: I think, I believe, In my opinion, From this writer's point of view, At the end of the day, When all is said and done, In light of these facts

Mark Penning...

- 4. RIGHT CLICK ANY BLUE BUTTON TO CUSTOMIZE THE COMMENT. Edit and save or restore to the default comment.
- **5. CLICK "+" TO ADD YOUR OWN COMMENTS.** Want to add your own writing comment to the e-Comments menu? Click the "+" button and type in a comment abbreviation and comment.
- 6. CLICK THE MICROPHONE TO RECORD AN AUDIO COMMENT OR THE VIDEO CAMERA TO RECORD A VIDEO COMMENT. Click on the microphone or video icon next to the "+" button and select "Start Recording." Select "Save to Doc or Slide" for just that writer or select "Save to e-Comments Menu."
- **7. ADD WRITING CATEGORIES.** Want to add a new writing comment category to the e-Comments menu for a specific writing assignment? Click the "Add Category" button at the bottom of the e-Comments menu, type the name of the category and click "Add." Add as many of your own comments as you wish.
- **8. SWITCH COMMENT SETS.** Want to switch comment sets to add a remedial or advanced comment? Click "Switch Set" and select Grades 3–6, Grades 6–9, Grades 9–12, or College/Workplace.
- **9. IS MY WORK SAFE AND SECURE?** The e-Comment extension automatically saves comments to the cloud and syncs data among multiple devices. You can export (back-up) your customized and original e-Comments to your computer hard drive and import them back into the e-Comments menu. Restore the default comments in each writing category at any time.
- **10. MOVE THE e-COMMENTS MENU.** Scroll up or down, drag and re-position from any writing comments category, or minimize.

