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## LATEST WRITING MISTAKES BY KIDS

### BOOK AND WEB SITE FEATURES SUBMISSIONS

“Julius Cesar was killed by the Aides of March,” “A rolling stone gathers no mess,” and “A jester is known for telling jokes and keeping his balls in the air” are just some of the latest funny quotes featured at the Website – [www.kidsmistakes.com](http://www.kidsmistakes.com). They are also being considered for a new book, tentatively entitled *FROM THE PENS OF KIDS* by internationally-known author Gini Graham Scott, Ph.D., a sociologist and anthropologist specializing in popular culture. The search for submissions is now in its 2<sup>nd</sup> month for the book which will be published by Sasquatch Books. Because of the keen interest in the book and Web site, the deadline for submissions has just been extended to March 15, 2005.

So far, submissions have not only come in from the U.S. and Canada, but some teachers have sent in quotes from Finland, New Zealand, Israel, and the U.K. Some patterns for common mistakes are emerging, too. Mistakes in spelling and choosing the wrong word are especially common – generally to substitute a more familiar word. And sometimes kids make up their own words and meanings.

Do you have examples of kids’ writing mistakes or know anyone who does? Additional mistakes are sought in all types of subjects -- from history, science, and literature to personal relationships, everyday life, and the way the world works. No

names of kids will be used in the book, but a credits section will include anyone submitting a contribution.

Please send examples by e-mail to [kidsmistakes@kidsmistakes.com](mailto:kidsmistakes@kidsmistakes.com) or by mail to Gini Graham Scott, Kids Mistakes, Changemakers, 6114 La Salle, #358, Oakland, CA 94611.