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EVERYONE needs an editor is what I have been telling my students for years. You cannot depend on Grammarly. I know . . . I've seen student essays that are products of overreliance on such programs. That doesn't mean they are not helpful; but it does suggest that there's nothing eclipsing human ability to fix errors and leave alone the writer's intended text. There are times when a writer is making a point by idiosyncratic construction of words, sentences, paragraphs, etc. that may not fit the formulas (algorithms) of the editing platforms. Most of us have been frustrated when auto-correct corrects something that we intended, which does not require a fix. Such are the ways of the impersonal "bots" behind these programs. Errors in English are not something that can be left to non-thinkers. If you care about your work, you will want a "second opinion."