Grammatical Errors

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I have made many grammatical errors in my writing, and probably, you can find them in this one.

When working on the proof of our lab's latest work [1], I made a couple of elementary mistakes within a short paragraph. For one, I used "has" with "students". For other, I inconsistently used both simple tense and past simple tense. In retrospect, these are common mistakes in my writing. They are the result of the way I have been thinking about language: "As long as you can communicate, you are fine."

It is hard to trace back to the source of this mindset. However, even though my writing and speaking scores were terrible in my first IELTS test, my listening and reading scores made the total score much higher than it seems. Throughout my university days, I have been able to bypass many challenges without being grammatically correct. Even now, working as a researcher, I have been given an easy way out of this issue with help from the team.

While this mindset is not a core value [2], it is certainly a bad habit of a convenient culture [3], which I have been letting it slides for too long. There are various materials to consult in this case, for instance [4, 5]. However, I lack the consistency and willpower to change. Hence, this writing is a start of my journey: to become a better writer.

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