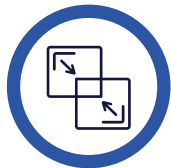


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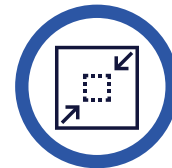
Sentence Combining

Sentence combining is the combination of two or more sentences into one complex sentence.

e.g. The Great Fire of London began on Pudding Lane in the bakery of Thomas Farriner. The fire worsened due to the long, hot summer.

Is revised to...

During a long, hot summer, the Great Fire of London likely began in the bakery of Thomas Farriner.



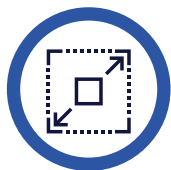
Sentence Shrinking

Sentence shrinking is the controlled reduction of sentence length for clarity or for rhetorical impact.

e.g. It hadn't rained for months so that farmers had to find new technologies to water the crops..

Is reduced to...

Hydration technology was used to water the crops.



Sentence Expanding

Sentence expanding involves the development of a sentence by adding additional clauses.

e.g. He is a total monster.

Is added to...

He is a total monster, stomping through the school, screaming at petrified pupils.



Sentence Signposting

Sentence signposting is the crafting of conjunctions to clarify and connect across and within sentences.

e.g. 'First... in addition...To conclude....'
'Due to... particularly... so that...'
'Notably... however... In short...'