Wording for Effective Sentences

- Missing words
- Appropriate or accepted words
- Compatible subjects and verbs
Missing words

Supply all words needed for clarity.
Prepositions and conjunctions

- He graduated college last year.

- We will study verse forms, figures of speech, poets and write several papers.
Infinitive “to”

- They want study for tests several days in advance.
Articles

- But such problem can be solved with some effort.
Comparisons

☐ My car goes faster than John.
Appropriate or accepted words

- Eliminate *is where, is when, or the reason is because* from sentences.
  - A mixed construction *is when* a writer uses past tense and present tense in the same sentence.
  - The reason the supplies haven’t been delivered *is because* the freight always arrives late on Tuesdays.
Compatible subjects and verbs

- Colleges that provide laptops learn more than those that don’t.
Effective sentences

- Effective sentences are clear and vivid.
- No missing words
- Appropriate words
- Logical relationships