**Writing Promotion Essays**

**Editing** to Vary Sentence Beginnings

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**Vary sentence beginnings.**

Rewrite each choppy paragraph, varying the sentence beginnings by adding a word, phrase, or clause. (You don’t have to vary every sentence.)

1. Our school auditorium is too small, dark, and unpleasant. The auditorium leaks when it rains. The chairs are uncomfortable. People don’t enjoy coming to our concerts. More people might come if the auditorium were bright, clean, and comfortable. Students would enjoy performing more. It is clear we should build a new auditorium.
2. The kids in our neighborhood are often bored, and they need a safe place to hang out. They go to the fast-food restaurant on the corner after school. They spend time at the mall on weekends, but these places are not always open. These places don’t provide interesting, constructive activities. It would be a good idea to open a sports and recreation center in the neighborhood.

**Edit for varied sentence beginnings.**

Reread your essay, watching for sentences that all sound alike. If you find any, edit sentence beginnings to improve the flow.

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