

Appendix 2: Extra exercises

Pattern 1: adverb + verb

Previous studies (of X) Most of these studies	have	mostly mainly largely typically generally predominantly	ignored ... examined ... focused on ... concentrated on... been concerned with ...
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Pattern 2: adjective + noun

Previous studies (of X) Most of these studies	have suffered from	certain several serious various notable	methodological	flaws. limitations. drawbacks. weaknesses. shortcomings
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Pattern 3: passive in process description + purpose clause

An independent t-test was	run used conducted performed carried out	to	assess whether ... test the hypothesis that ... compare the mean scores of... determine whether there was a difference ... test for differences between the two groups. test whether any differences existed between ...
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Pattern 4: referring to visual items

Subject + verb + complement

Table 1 Figure 1	shows displays presents provides compares	an overview of ... the experimental data on X. the summary statistics for ... the breakdown of X according to ... the median and range of scores for each group. the intercorrelations among the nine measures of X. the results obtained from the preliminary analysis of X.
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Clause + comma

<p>As shown in Figure 1, As can be seen from the table (above), Looking at Figure 3, it is apparent that ... From the graph above we can see that ... It can be seen from the data in Table 1 that ...</p>	<p>the X group reported significantly more Y than ...</p>
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Comment on Trends: adverb + noun

<p>The graph shows that there has been a Figure 2 reveals that there has been a</p>	<p>slight steep sharp steady gradual marked</p>	<p>fall rise drop decline increase decrease</p>	<p>in the number of</p>
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Pattern 5: Comparison and contrast

Subordinate clauses

Oral societies tend to be more concerned with the present	while whereas	literate societies have a very definite awareness of the past.
Although	oral societies tend to be more concerned with the present,	literate societies have a very definite awareness of the past.

Connector + noun phrase

<p>In contrast to Compared with</p>	<p>people in oral cultures,</p>	<p>people in literate cultures organize their lives around clocks and calendars.</p>
<p>In spite of</p>	<p>the effects of globalization,</p>	<p>People in oral cultures do not organize their lives around clocks and calendars.</p>

Connector + simple sentence

Jones (2002) reports that ...	However, Smith's (2010) study of Y found no ...
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Pattern 6: Definitions

A university is	an institution	where knowledge is produced and passed on to others.
Social Economics may be defined as	the branch of economics	[which is] concerned with the measurement, causes, and consequences of social problems.
Research may be defined as	a systematic process	which consists of three elements or components: (1) a question, problem, or hypothesis, (2) data, and (3) analysis and interpretation of data.
Education is	a form of learning	in which the knowledge, skills, or values of a group of people are transferred from one generation to the next.
A scientific theory can be defined as	an explanation of some aspect of the natural world	[which has been] confirmed by observation or experiment.

Pattern 7: Reason, cause, and effect

With modal verb + infinitive

Lack of iron in the diet	may cause can lead to can result in can give rise to	tiredness and fatigue.
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With past or present participle

Scurvy is a disease	caused by resulting from stemming from	lack of vitamin C.
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With passive

Much of the instability in X	is driven by stems from is caused by can be attributed to	the economic effects of the war.
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Pattern 8: Being formal

everyday words		academic words
a lot of big bring together get rid of not enough story thing trouble way (of doing) worry	→	considerable significant synthesize eradicate insufficient anecdote object difficulty method concern
not much researchnot many studies isn't any evidence	→	little researchfew studies no evidence

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