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Meet Readers' Expectations

Change Proposal
 Respond to the following questions to meet the readers' expectations. The sentences that you write to respond to each question include a unique topic cluster that consists of a set of words and phrases. DocuScope will automatically highlight sentences in your draft that most likely match these expectations.

Establish the Current Conditions

What is the thing you propose to change? ✓ expected 3
 What's good happening now that makes this change worth investing in? ✓ expected 3
What's bad happening now that makes this change necessary? (gaps) ✓ expected 3

Present Your Change Proposal

What concrete change(s) do you propose? ✓ expected 11
 How does your proposal fill the gaps? ✓ expected 6
 How does your proposal affirm the values of your target audience? ✓ expected 3

Address The Limitations In Your Proposal

What are the limitations of your proposal? ✓ expected 5
 How do you plan to address (mitigate) these limitations? ✓ expected 9

Topic Cluster
 Enter words and phrases associated with **Current Problems** in the text field.

What are topic clusters? — Consider what your responses are for this expectation, and enter the words/phrases you need to convey them to your reader. A set of words/phrases for each response is called a topic cluster.

decreasing
 drop completely
 go inactive
 lack of diversity
 problems with member retention
 stereotype
 stereotypical view

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About this Expectation

Sample Sentences

How is this expectation met in English sentences?
 You meet it by describing the problems associated with the thing you want to change, and why these problems make the proposed change necessary.

 Let's return to our rower who wants their college to upgrade rowing from a club sport to a varsity sport. You will want to list negative information about the status of the rowing club that makes change seem necessary.

 Negative words and phrases associated with the current conditions might be that, because rowing remains only a club and not a varsity sport, the college "loses too recruits to other schools while the

A Proposal for a Fall_Greek_Tradition

Background

For many Carnegie Mellon students, Greek_life is an integral_part of their undergraduate_experience. As the Vice President of Community Engagement for the CMU Panhellenic Council Executive Board, I hold not only the overall responsibility of providing community building events for the Panhellenic community, but also the goal of promoting Greek_life to the Carnegie Mellon undergraduate community at large. In this proposal, I will present a plan for a new_fall_Greek_tradition that will accomplish my goals of a fun, engaging event for Greek members_to_help with membership retention, and also benefit_our_recruitment and positive_relations with the rest of the CMU student body. One potential limitation of my proposal are the costs, especially if pandemic conditions continue to hold. I will address that concern_below.

Problem Statement

Currently, the major events that draw_our_members to Greek_life are Booth, Buggy, and Greek Sing. All of these events occur in the spring_semester, leaving a fall semester with little programming for current members, except for fall recruitment which is mainly focused on new members. This can cause_problems_with_member_retention because a lack_of engaging,beneficial_events can make members feel it is not worthwhile to continue being a part of the Panhellenic community. In the fall semester, the amount of people that go_inactive or drop_completely is significantly higher than in the spring. Therefore, having a yearly tradition that Panhellenic members can look forward to will increase_morale during a fall semester and act as a selling point for joining Greek_life.

In the past five years, the number of potential new members who sign up and go through Panhellenic Sorority Recruitment has been decreasing. This has been a complicated_issue, stemming from society's stereotypical_view of Greek_life that includes a lack_of focus on academics, partying, a lack_of_diversity_clique culture, and hazing. These stereotypes_are fortunately not true for a school like Carnegie Mellon, where students in Greek_life are still Tartans at heart with a strong_passion_for_academics, a zero_tolerance_policy on hazing, and multiple initiatives for diversity_and_inclusion. In fact, the Carnegie Mellon Panhellenic community has a higher_QPA_average than the average for the undergraduate student body, attributed to the strong_academic_support_system found in_sororities and fraternities.

My first year at Carnegie Mellon, I, too, had_strong_biases against Greek_life and did not intend on joining. I worried about how my academics would suffer from joining a sorority. Additionally, as a member of sorority, I was apprehensive of

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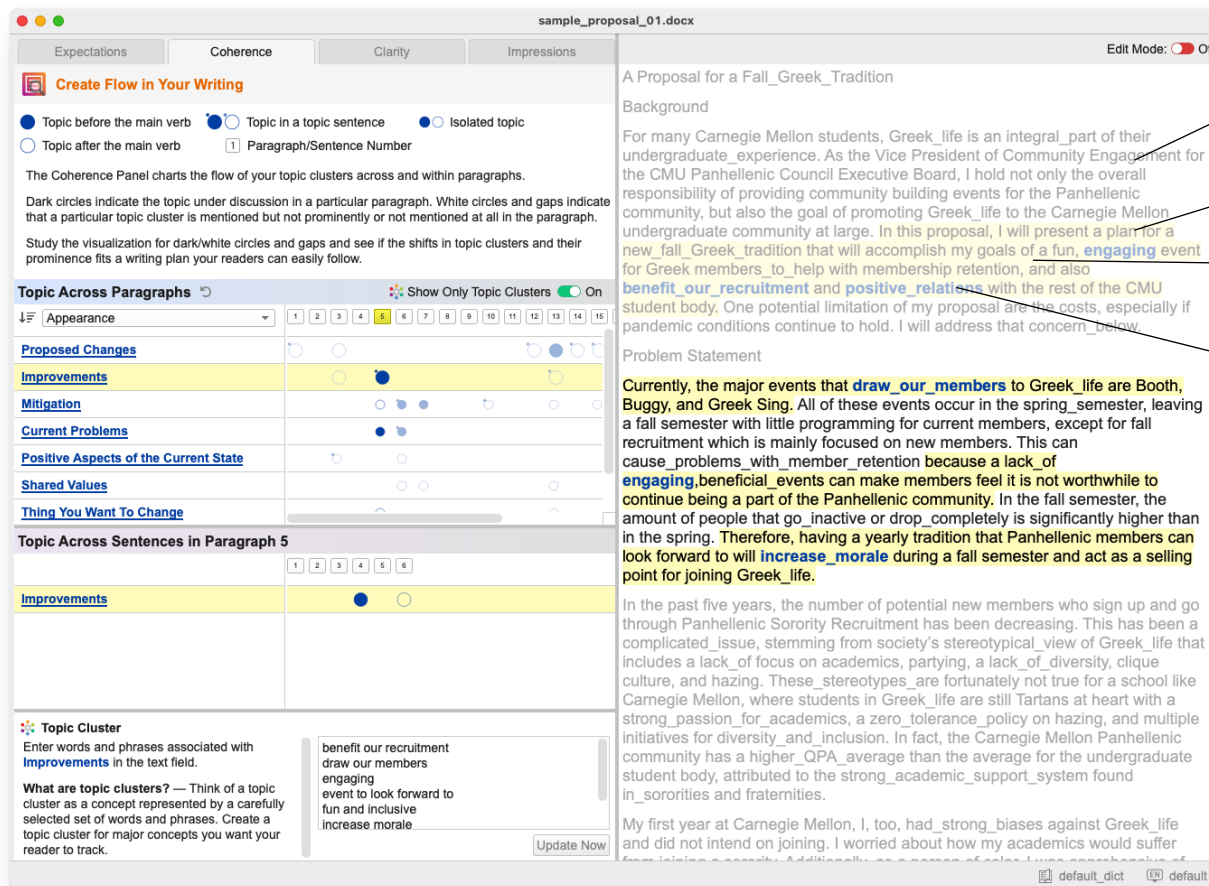
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■ Sentence Text
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■ Global Topic
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Expectations Panel

If the user select an expectation, highlight all the sentences that contains words/phrases included in the topic cluster associated with the selected expectation.



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- Global Topic (Faded)
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Coherence Panel

If the user selects a topic (or a topic cluster), all the sentences that includes the topic (or words/phrases in the topic cluster) are highlighted. If the user selects a paragraph, all the paragraphs that are not selected should be faded.

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Create Flow in Your Writing

Topic before the main verb

Topic in a topic sentence

Isolated topic

Topic after the main verb

Paragraph/Sentence Number

The Coherence Panel charts the flow of your topic clusters across and within paragraphs.

Dark circles indicate the topic under discussion in a particular paragraph. White circles and gaps indicate that a particular topic cluster is mentioned but not prominently or not mentioned at all in the paragraph.

Study the visualization for dark/white circles and gaps and see if the shifts in topic clusters and their prominence fits a writing plan your readers can easily follow.

Topic Across Paragraphs

Show Only Topic Clusters Off

Appearance

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

cf	<div></div>
patient	<div></div>
MyTest	<div></div>
symptom	<div></div>
disease	<div></div>
CF	<div></div>
lifespan	<div></div>

Topic Across Sentences in Paragraph 6

	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
treatment	<div></div>
lung	<div></div>
transplantation	<div></div>
patient	<div></div>
cf	<div></div>

Topic Cluster

Select a topic cluster.

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surveys report the lifespan of CF patients reaching into the 30s. Other surveys report lifespan reaching into 40s and even 50s when patients receive early diagnosis and treatment and manage to keep their lungs clear and their pancreatic functions high.

Early diagnosis and treatment can be a challenge because CF is relatively rare in the US population and this fact limits opportunities to make a diagnosis. Approximately 30,000 people are estimated to suffer from CF in the US and a new diagnoses of 1000 cases are made each year from an average of 4 million babies born. The odds of a North American baby having a diagnosis of CF are just 1 in 3,500. In the UK, the odds are only slightly higher, 1 out of 2,400. As a result, diagnosis and treatment remain challenges. Diagnosis is especially difficult.

As a genetic disease, CF is caused by an autosomal recessive mutant gene. This means that both parents must be passive "carriers" of the gene for the child to inherit the active disease. This gene is called the Cystic Fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator (CFTR). The CFTR gene regulates the formation and flow of the body's mucous, digestive fluids, and sweat. Under normal conditions, the CFTR gene keeps these substances thin and slippery so that they can efficiently pass through the body's ducts. In the disease mutation that is CF, the CFTR gene produces secretions that are abnormally thick and that clog the ducts used for respiration, digestion, and circulation. These clogs lead to obstructions and inflammations. They also produce infections because clogs become a breeding ground for germs. The life of a CF patient is a daily regimen of pills, machines, and exercises to keep breathing and digestion moving along as normally as possible and to stave off infection.

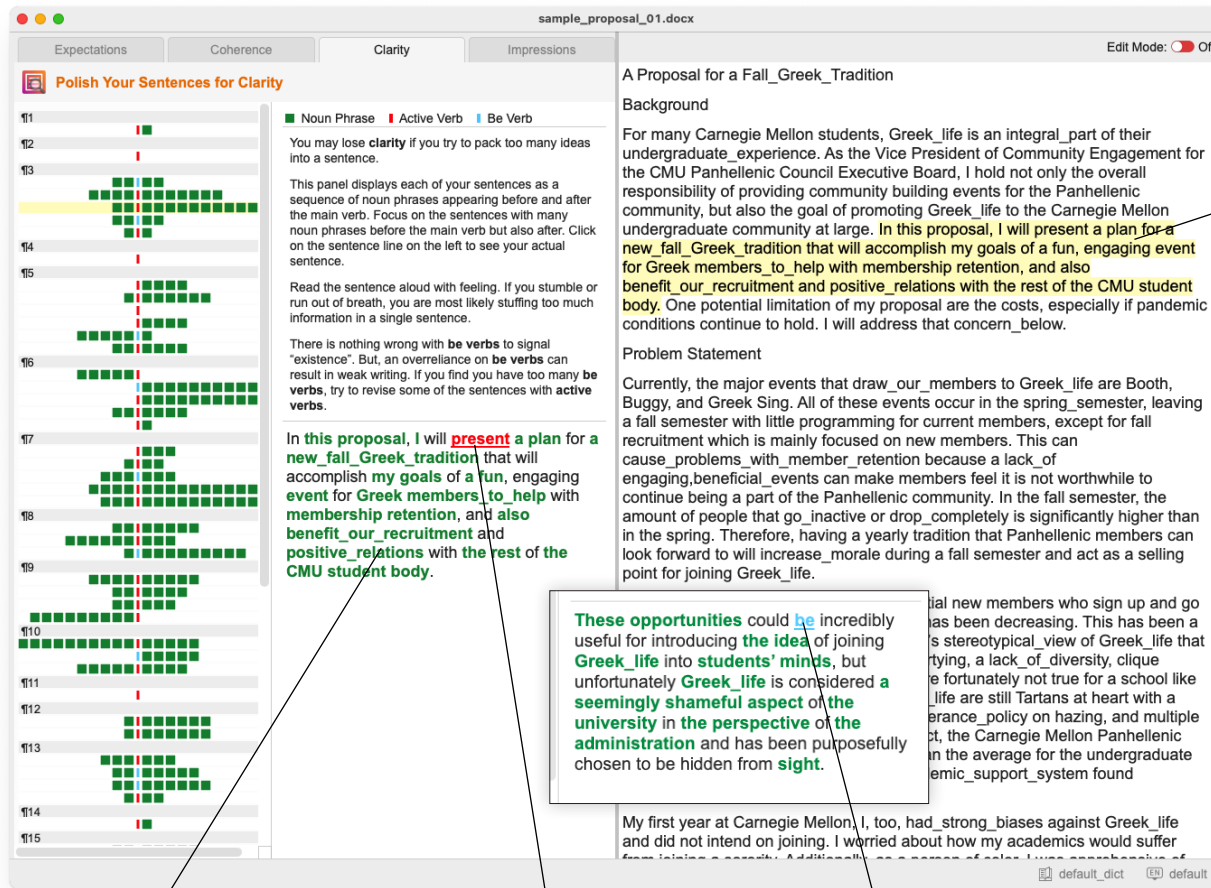
There are currently no cures for the disease and the lack of a cure makes the disease especially challenging and heart-breaking. But newer treatments are making the disease easier to live through without a cure and are prolonging the lifespan of CF patients. Daily maintenance treatments include airway clearance techniques such as chest physiotherapy, pancreatic enzyme replacement, and fat-soluble vitamin supplementation. These treatments all have been shown to alleviate daily symptoms. Treatments to ameliorate chronic lung infections include the antibiotic azithromycin, inhaled hypertonic saline, and salbutamol.

The treatment of last resort is lung transplantation but transplantation comes with its own risks. Only half of lung transplantation patients survive five years. Every CF patient and their family must decide on the meaning of a "normal life" living with CF and what it means to live life to its fullest. On YouTube, some patients report they feel "blessed" to have inherited the disease because they never take the "gift" of a normal life for granted. Even without a cure, they keep hoping for one.

Local Topic
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Coherence Panel (cont.)

If a local topic is selected, all the sentences that include the topic are selected.



■ Noun Phrase
#147c2d

■ Active Verb
#fb000a

■ Be Verb
#4fc3ff

■ Sentence Text Background
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Clarity

If a sentence is selected on the left side panel, the sentence is highlighted in the editor.
Noun phrases or the main verb in the sentence do not need to be highlighted.