## Effective Academic Writing Style into practice 2

## (nominalization)

## *Find nominalizations and replace them with either verbs or adjective to make sentences more effective.*

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| Original version | Write your version here |
| We made an agreement not to buy the house. | We agreed not to buy a house |
| Our review of the test results will begin tomorrow. | Professors will review the rest results tomorrow |
| The approval of the plan was given by the committee yesterday. | Committee approved the plan yesterday. |
| The discovery of a new planet by the Frankfurt Observatory excited the scientific community. | Frankfurt Observatory discovered a new planet and excited scientific community. |
| The failure of the staff to organize the festival properly was a disappointment to us. | We was disappointed that staff failed to organize the festival properly. |
| The undertaking of building the new company was complicated by their lack of experience. |  |
| Their interpretation of the implementation of the institute’s program was insightful. |  |
| First was their introduction of their analysis of dreams by the trauma patients. |  |
| Her understanding of the situation was evidenced by the quitting of her job. |  |
| We should take into consideration several factors. |  |
| He must make a decision about what to do. |  |
| They gave us information about the new research program. |  |
| The analysis of how X-factor impacts B gene expression was conducted. |  |
| Joe will conduct research on the impact of the recent drought on local wildlife. |  |
| The collection of data by David Foster Wallace led to his book Infinite Jest. |  |
| Our lack of data prevented evaluation of UN actions in targeting funds to areas most in need of assistance. |  |
| There is opposition among many voters to nuclear power plants based on a belief of their threat to human health. |  |
| The decision to construct a health science building was made by the university trustees. |  |
| The discussion of the group was about how to surprise the girl with the birthday without her knowing. |  |
| Mike’s hope was for preservation of his relationship with Molly, but Tony’s meddling make the break-up an inevitability. |  |

Adapted from https://wordvice.com/improve-writing-edit-nominalizations/, https://libguides.lmu.edu/c.php?g=324079&p=2174118, https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/english\_as\_a\_second\_language/esl\_students/nominalizations\_and\_subject\_position.html, https://www.cedarville.edu/-/media/Files/PDF/Writing-Center/Student/Nominalizations-FINAL.pdf

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