**Exercise 1: Rewrite the following sentences so that they are no longer redundant**

**Example:** *Incorrect: I hope the DJ will replay my favourite song again.*

*Correct1: I hope the DJ will* ***replay my favourite song.***

*Correct2: I hope the DJ will* ***play my favourite song again*.**

1. The ~~end~~ result of her stubbornness was that she didn’t get dessert.

2. The woman who works in the cafeteria is very polite ~~and courteous~~.

3. My ~~personal~~ opinion is that the walls should be painted blue.

4. We assembled ~~together~~ in the kitchen.

5. When I joined the gym, I received a complimentary personal training session ~~for free~~.

6. Jasper’s twin sisters are ~~exactly~~ identical.

7. Tremaine really liked those red sneakers, but they were too small ~~in size~~.

8. My mom cut the pizza into ~~four~~ quarters.

9. In the modern world ~~of today~~, we can easily communicate with people around the globe.

10. After much thought ~~and consideration~~, Frances decided to major in astronomy.

**Exercise 2: Rewrite the following sentences to correct any ambiguity, wordiness, or redundancy.**

**Examples**: *Redundant: Riva she couldn’t believe her ears.*

*Correct: Riva couldn’t believe her ears.*

*Wordy: She spoke in a very convincing manner.*

*Concise: She spoke very convincingly.*

1. I returned ~~back~~ to my room after the meeting was over.

2. I heard they are going to put a movie theatre on campus.

3. Please repeat ~~again~~ what you said.

4. While barbecuing our steaks, a hungry dog came into our backyard.

5. The servers ~~they~~ really take care of you at this restaurant.

6. The circumstances are very delicate ~~in nature~~.

7. It was a story that was difficult to tell.

It was a difficult story to tell.

8. Fried in butter, Sylvan likes eggs.

Sylvan likes eggs fried in butter.

9. Turn left at the green ~~coloured~~ house.

10. He had a car that was old and rusty.

He had an old and rusty car.

**Exercise 3: Underline the unnecessary words or phrases below:**

*Example: They were large in size.*

*Answer: They were large in size.*

1. The ~~members of the~~ Student Council will come up with a final decision through a vote next week at an open meeting.

2. The twins were ~~both~~ alike; each had curly blonde hair, a rosy complexion, and pretty features.

3. It is ~~absolutely~~ essential to include vanilla in the recipe alongside other ingredients.

4. Debbie did a lot of research on the case at law school and she ~~previously~~ found that the responsible party was found not guilty.

5. The vote for the new board member was not ~~completely~~ unanimous when Dr. Roberts refused to go along with the others.

**Exercise 4: Write a new, more concise sentence excluding the underlined expletive or other phrase that can be simplified.**

1. There are weaknesses with the plan.

The plan has weaknesses.

2. There are not any reasons to make that decision.

The decision lacks merit.

3. The youth, all old enough to know better, got into trouble and were arrested.

The teenagers got into trouble and were arrested.

4. The woman Geoffrey dated had to be careful to avoid his wife.

The mistress had to be careful to avoid his wife.

5. Some soldiers refused to obey orders and ~~left behind~~ abandoned their comrades in the firefight.