Out of focus ideas

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Out of Focus Ideas. Need for a harder stop.

Example 4.33-1

I really enjoyed the concert, it took me back to another era.

Revision: 1

I really enjoyed the concert. It took me back to another era.

I really enjoyed the concert; it took me back to another era.

I really enjoyed the concert: it took me back to another era.

I really enjoyed the concert-- it took me back to another era.

I really enjoyed the concert, which took me back to another era.

Example 4.33-2

Paul is a hard-working student, some days he doesn’t go to sleep until the early hours.

Revision: 1

Paul is a hard-working student. Some days he doesn’t go to sleep until the early hours.

Paul is a hard-working student; some days he doesn’t go to sleep until the early hours.

Paul is a hard-working student: some days he doesn’t go to sleep until the early hours.

Paul is a hard-working student -- some days he doesn’t go to sleep until the early hours.

Paul is a hard-working student who, some days, doesn’t go to sleep until the early hours.

Revision: 2

Example 4.33 -3

As an unapologetic meat eater, my friends often ask me whether I ever ate salad.

Revision: 1

As an unapologetic meat eater, I would often be asked by my friends, whether I ever ate salad.

Revision: 2

Friends often ask me whether, as an unapologetic meat eater, I ever ate salad.

Friends often ask me whether I, an unapologetic meat eater, ever ate salad.

Example 4.33 -4

An Apple media statement said it would launch the new iPhone early next year.

Revision: 1

In a media statement, Apple said it would launch the new iPhone early next year.

Revision: 2

Example 4.33 -5

Marcus looking into the distance, a tall building came into view.

Revision: 1

As Marcus peered into the distance, a tall building came into view.

Revision: 2