Parallel Ideas

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Multiple ideas in a sentence should flow is similar direction.

Example 5.56-1

The new head of the department, Mr. Emerson, is quiet, friendly, fond of drinking tea, witty and keen on jogging.

Revision 1:

The new head of the department, Mr. Emerson, is a quiet, witty, and friendly man who is fond of jogging and drinking tea.

Revision 2:

The new head of the department, Mr. Emerson, is a quiet, witty, and friendly man. His pleasure includes jogging and drinking tea.

Example 5.56-2

People with depression often report the following symptoms: anxiety, low self-esteem, and they frequently feel anti-social.

Revision: 1

People with depression often report the following symptoms: anxiety, low self-esteem, and anti-social tendencies.

Revision: 2