

Question 1 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

The passive voice should always be avoided.

- ☐ True
- ☒ False

Question 2 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

Jargon can be useful in communications among specialists.

- ☒ True
- ☐ False

Question 3 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

Whenever possible, you should preface your assertions with "I think," "In my opinion," "I believe," or some other qualifier.

- ☒ True
- ☐ False

Question 4 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

Nominalizations add credibility and efficiency to your writing.

- ☒ True
- ☐ False

Question 5 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

Avoid using short sentences in technical writing.

- ☐ True
- ☒ False

Question 6 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

Combining sentences can help de-emphasize some ideas and emphasize others.

- ☒ True
- ☐ False

Question 7 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

Negative expressions are now preferred by readers.

- ☐ True
- ☒ False

Question 8 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

Inefficient style is not only difficult to read but also potentially unethical when it confuses the audience.

- ☒ True
- ☐ False

Question 9 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

Each step in a list of instructions should begin with a noun.

- ☐ True
- ☒ False

Question 10 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

Avoid everyday speaking language in documents.

- ☒ True
- ☐ False

Question 11 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

A noun that has been formed from a verb and often ends in *ion* is called a _____.

Nominalization

Question 12 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

Whereas repetition is saying the same thing twice using the same words, _____ is saying the same thing twice but using different words.

Redundancy

Question 13 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

_____ is the accepted phrases, terms, and shorthand individuals in a profession use to communicate with each other efficiently.

Jargon

Question 14 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

Sentences using passive voice _____.

- ☐ include a clear agent performing the action
- ☐ might be too blunt to be effective
- ☒ might be appropriate if the object is more important than the subject
- ☐ provide more credibility to a document

Question 15 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

In choosing the appropriate tone, you should do which of the following?

- ☐ Use a semiformal tone when you want to sound conversational.
- ☐ Use a formal tone with subordinates.
- ☐ Use an informal tone with superiors.
- ☒ When in doubt, avoid being too casual.

Question 16 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

Digital editing tools _____.

- ☒ are able to identify words that are used incorrectly
- ☐ will not search for clutter words
- ☐ will not catch an instance of "its" that should be "it's"
- ☐ always give the best advice to a writer

Question 17 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

Which of the following statements about tone is *most* accurate?

- ☐ Never use contractions.
- ☒ Vary the tone of a document from section to section as needed.
- ☐ Never use "I" or "we" in a technical document.
- ☐ Using "you" and "your" will help a writer connect with readers.

Question 18 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

To avoid biased language, which approach is *most* appropriate?

- ☐ use person-first language for people with disabilities
- ☐ refer to a female head of a board as the "chairwoman" instead of "chairman"
- ☐ avoid the term "Ms."
- ☒ use "underdeveloped" instead of "Third World"

Question 19 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

Which is the *best* practice for writing fluently?

- ☐ Create long sentences for special emphasis.
- ☐ Use a consistent sentence length.
- ☐ Use a consistent sentence construction.
- ☒ Combine related ideas.

Question 20 (1 point) ✓ *Saved*

"Nancy told Rhianna that she was too nervous" is a sentence with which of the following?

- ☐ an ambiguous pronoun
- ☐ a qualifier
- ☐ a strong verb
- ☒ a nominalization