

## Task 7.

1. Now deal with comparisons. They are used to indicate the relation between two or more items, so the compared items should be actually comparable logically and grammatically. Go through sentences 1-10 and make any necessary corrections to ensure clarity and good style.

1. Technical universities, as other higher education institutions, face the problem of the decreasing number of students.
2. Due to the scandal the company lost a substantial number of users, but during the conference their CEO acted like nothing really happened.
3. Theoretically, microprocessors with 8 cores are faster than 4 cores.
4. Microsoft still remains larger than any American IT company.
5. Some operations may be performed only after the file is saved, such as file export.
6. The modified material wears much faster than the original one.
7. The signal sent over the wireless network may be actually more distorted than the cable.
8. The company has the same profits if not actually lower than when it did not offer the new service.
9. The campus is closer to the city center than the airport.
10. The cabin of the new VW Beetle is more spacious than the old model.

2. Parallelism is using similar grammatical forms between two or more elements. Using parallel structures ineffectively is a common source of awkward and illogical sentences. Carefully read the following examples of faulty parallelisms and correct the sentences.

1. Three reasons why the new alloy did not meet the expectations were that it was expensive to produce, low tensional strength and meanwhile composite materials appeared.
2. During the apprenticeship, future engineers can acquire the knowledge and interest in basic computer programming.
3. Professor Johnson achieved the best results by not following the typical procedures and incorporating additional supports.
4. Each procedure consists in either double-checking for potential malfunctions or two separate quality control tests.
5. After the conference we would like to invite you both to the dinner and to sight-see the city with a tour guide.
6. The information I am looking for is neither available in local libraries nor could be provided at the University's Knowledge Center.
7. The conference fee not only covers the conference materials but also publication of the presented paper.
8. I would like to inquire whether the computer will be repaired or you will replace it with another one.
9. Either the tests will be performed tomorrow or the next day.
10. The two proposals are different not only in regard to the price but they also use different technologies.