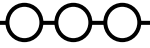


# Improving Writing

I can use pronouns and nouns



Pronouns are convenient words; without them we would have to continually repeat the noun every time we wanted to talk about it, which would become repetitive. Rewrite the paragraphs below, choosing whether to use a noun or a pronoun.

## 1. Paragraph 1

Ava took Ava's hair out of Ava's hair's ponytail and brushed Ava's hair carefully. Then Ava looked at Ava in the mirror.

"Hmm," Ava said thoughtfully, considering Ava's face, "if Ava's going to make Ava look like a ghost for Halloween, Ava's going to need to put on some very thick white face paint!"

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## 2. Paragraph 2

Dragons are legendary creatures and they feature in many cultures around the world. They typically have scaly skin and they are often said to breathe fire. The European one is depicted as a reptilian creature and it has four legs and wings. In fact, the patron saint of England is St. George and legend has it that he killed one. The Asian one (common in Chinese mythology) is a serpentine creature. It is usually depicted as an intelligent creature with four limbs but without wings. There are many stories about them and they have captured the public's imagination in many comics and films.

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## 1. Paragraph 1

Multiple answers are possible, but here is an example:

**Ava took her hair out of the ponytail and brushed it carefully. Then Ava looked at herself in the mirror.**

**“Hmm,” she said thoughtfully, considering her face, “if I’m going to make myself look like a ghost for Halloween, I’m going to need to put on some very thick white face paint!”**

## 2. Paragraph 2

Multiple answers are possible, but here is an example:

**Dragons are legendary creatures and they feature in many cultures around the world. Dragons typically have scaly skin and they are often said to breathe fire. The European dragon is depicted as a reptilian creature and it has four legs and wings. In fact, the patron saint of England is St. George and legend has it that he killed a dragon. The Asian Dragon (common in Chinese mythology) is a serpentine creature. It is usually depicted as an intelligent creature with four limbs but without wings. There are many stories about dragons and they have captured the public’s imagination in many comics and films.**