

**To up-level your writing, you must:**

- Use a wide range of punctuation
- Organise sentences into clearly-structured paragraphs, linking ideas in a sophisticated way
- Include longer sentences with appropriate connectives
- Include description choosing wow words to describe things (think of the 5 senses)
- Use a variety of simple, compound and complex sentences-try some adverbial openers

**Adverbial Openers + comma**

Slowly	Immediately
Briefly	Eagerly
Happily	Tenderly
Clumsily	Strictly
Rudely	Cautiously
Surprisingly	Regretfully
Patiently	Thankfully
Anxiously	Horrendously
Enthusiastically	Suspiciously
Mournfully	Unbelievably
Gradually	Leisurely
Hurriedly	Insanely
Wearily	Majestically
Irratically	Recently
Brutally	Graciously
Smoothly	Savagely
Sweetly	Lovingly
Hatefully	Longingly
Carefully	Meekly

**Wonderful 'Wow' Words**

Wonderful	important	bustling
Splendid	useful	noxious
Fantastic	useless	fragrant
Marvellous	incredible	shadowy
Valuable	bustling	icy
Blissful	deafening	fiery
Elated	rowdy	punctual
Cheerful	blaring	infantile
Quick-witted	thunderous	mature
Intelligent	putrid	colourful
Smooth	faraway	colourless
Luscious	remote	odourless
Appetizing	loathsome	painful
Delectable	grainy	painless
Radiant	polished	magnified
Shimmering	mediocre	gigantic
Transparent	sweltering	enormous
Translucent	frosty	miniscule
Triangular	steaming	minute
Spherical	frightened	worthless
Elliptical	petrified	impatient
Sizzling	miserable	surprising
Scented	grumpy	glorious

**Complex Sentence Openers:**

- \* Although (it was incredibly cold...),
- \* Even though Sam was in the company of his family,
- \* Despite achieving 100% in the exam,
- \* When there was torrential rain,
- \* Since I began my journey,
- \* If you build this house using only wood,
- \* As soon as he finished the chapter,

**Rhetorical Questions:**

- Do you think that...?
- Don't you think that...?
- Isn't it time to...?
- Have you ever thought about...?
- Haven't you always longed for...?
- Why is it (that)...?
- When should we...?

**Time Connectives for Sequencing:**

Firstly/First of all	Secondly
Then	Briefly
Next	After a while
After	Before
Soon	(Two) years ago
Suddenly	(Four) days ago
Meanwhile	Eventually
When	Finally
Since	Last week/year

**-ing words (as openers)**

Seething	Looking	Skimming
Fuming	Planting	Touching
Watching	Running	Painting
Glancing (around)	Walking	Fleeting
Raging	Dancing	Rushing
Grabbing	Singing	Dreaming
Grasping	Scanning	Creating

<u>Connectives</u>				
<u>Addition</u>	<u>Cause/Effect</u>	<u>Emphasis</u>	<u>Contrast/Balance</u>	
and	consequently	above all	but	as for
also	thus	in particular	however	the opposite
too	so	notably	nevertheless	still
furthermore	hence(forth)	specifically	alternatively	instead (of)
moreover	therefore	especially	to turn to	on the other hand
in addition (to)	accordingly	significantly	yet	whereas
again	since	more importantly	despite this	otherwise
the following	until	indeed	on the contrary	apart from
	as a result	in fact	as for	although

<u>Said Words</u>		
shouted	pleaded	confessed
exclaimed	assured	declared
whispered	pleaded	grumbled
bellowed	advised	insisted
highlighted	boasted	joked
addressed	bragged	muttered
answered	cautioned	remarked