

Cohesion Common

Exit here to check how your writing flows.

- Have you used conjunctions to link sentences?
(e.g. *because, if, while, before, after etc*)
- Have you used a mix of proper nouns and pronouns?
(e.g. *Jack was eight years old. He lived with his parents.*)
- Have you used a range of sentence openers to link ideas?
(e.g. *adverbial phrases such as 'After a while' or 'Furthermore'*)

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Paragraph Park

Exit here to check your paragraphing.

Check that you have started a new paragraph for...

- A change of time
- A change of place
- A change of person
- A change of topic

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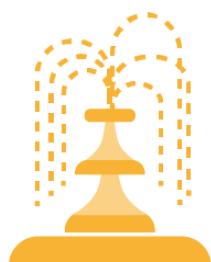


Tense Tower

Exit here to check your tenses.

- Are your tenses consistent? (e.g. if you needed to write in past tense, are all your verbs past tense?)
- If you have changed tense, have you managed this shift well?
- Look out for irregular verb forms. (e.g. was/were)
- Use your tenses mat to identify and check different tenses.

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Formality Fountain

Exit here to check your formality.

- Should you be writing formally or informally?
- Formal writing - no contractions (e.g. can't); no speech-like phrases; more high utility words
- Formal writing is best most of the time, unless you are writing:
 - dialogue
 - quotes in a newspaper report
 - a letter to someone you know
 - a diary entry

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Layout Lighthouse

Exit here to check your layout.

- Have you set out your text appropriately?
- Have you ensured that your layout allows the reader to read your work easily or find information from your text easily?
- Look at other texts from the same genre. Is yours similar?

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Sentence Structure Square

Exit here to check your sentence structure.

- Do you have sentences of varying length? (*Long sentences are good for detail. Short sentences can be used well for effect.*)
- Have you included sentence types that match the genre? (*Commands, questions, statements, exclamations*)
- Have you used conjunctions to extend some of your sentences?
- Are your sentences in a logical order? Are 'like' sentences next to each other?
- Are any of your sentences passive, if appropriate?

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Language Library

Exit here to check your use of language.

- Does the language you have used match the genre?
- Have you used ambitious language?
(*topic-related words or high utility words*)
- Have you used figurative language?
(*alliteration, onomatopoeia, metaphor, simile, personification etc*)
- Use a thesaurus to find synonyms for words you have used. Are there better alternatives?

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