

## **FLUENCY: Sentence Variety Analysis**

### **Language has rhythm and flow! Does yours?**

Choose a body paragraph to analyze.

- 1) A) Count how many words are in each sentence and write the number above the end punctuation.  
B) How many sentences are in the paragraph?
- 2) Complete the chart below about the paragraph.

How many sentences are long and flowing? How many are short and simple? Medium?	What is the first word or phrase in each sentence?	How many sentences are declarative/imperative? Exclamatory? Interrogative?	How many sentences are simple, compound, complex, compound-complex?

### **Analysis Question**

3. Analyze your completed chart and explain whether the paragraph you chose had strong sentence variety and why. If it was not strong, what recommendations could you make for the author to improve his/her usage of sentence variety?

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4. Reread the other paragraphs in your essay and consider revising for FLUENCY and SENTENCE VARIETY!

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