



The 1/5 Rule

Rule: Out of five sentences, only ONE can have a boring start. FOUR must have interesting starts.

So what are the boring starts?

- Articles: the, a, an
- Nouns: Tim, dog, park, Monday
- Pronouns: he, she, they, I, we, it
- Adjectives: red, three, this, that

When all of our sentences have boring starts, our writing becomes uninteresting.

Boring Start:

The dog ate my groceries.

Interesting Start:

As soon as I turned my back, the dog ate my groceries.



Some interesting start options! There are many, many more.

Because

Until

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While

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As if

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