

2. Substitute phrases for the italicized words:

- (a) It will cause a *temporary* delay.
- (b) I suppose that he did it *unconsciously*.
- (c) Such conduct is *undoubtedly reprehensible*.
- (d) Such a result seemed quite *improbable*.
- (e) I think he acted *judiciously* in *postponing* the meeting.

3. Contract the following sentences to simple ones:

- (a) Have you heard how the trial resulted?
- (b) I know no other way in which it can be done.
- (c) You asked me a question and I answered it.
- (d) It is probable that he took it with him.
- (e) He was ill and consequently unable to attend to it.
- (f) As there wasn't a quorum we had to adjourn.
- (g) He said that he was willing to return the money.
- (h) I have carried out the instructions which he gave me.
- (i) It was not without some hesitation that I agreed to it.
- (j) He will be sorry when he hears that you have failed.

4. Change the compound sentences to complex, and *vice versa*:

- (a) You must do it, or I'll punish you.
- (b) He would have gone if his friends would have let him.
- (c) I wrote him a letter but he has not answered it.
- (d) As he was present at the time he must have seen it.
- (e) He was very ill but still he tried to finish it.
- (f) He has reason to fear the result but I have more reason.
- (g) I can prove that he took the money.
- (h) He would not go, and I know the reason.

5. Arrange in as many ways as possible without destroying the sense:

- (a) Not always shall the slave uplift
His heavy hands to heaven in vain.
- (b) The good man sat beside his door
One sultry afternoon.
- (c) The robin, softly, o'er the lea
A farewell song is trilling.

5. Express the following in at least two other ways, changing the language and construction as much as possible:

- (a) No one cares to employ a careless workman.
- (b) Of all ordinary causes of disease none is so productive of sickness and death as impure air.
- (c) Exercise is necessary to the healthy development and maintenance of either brain or muscle.

7. Change from direct to indirect narrative:

- (a) A husbandman set a net in his field to catch the cranes that came to pluck up his newly-planted corn. When he went to examine the net to see what cranes he had caught he found a stork among the number. "Spare me," cried the stork, "and let me go. I am no crane; I have not eaten any of your corn; I am a poor, innocent stork, as you may see."

Change from indirect to direct:

- (b) But the husbandman would hear no more, and replied that all that might be true enough, he would admit. This he plainly knew, that he had caught him with those that were destroying his crops, and he must therefore suffer with the company in which he was taken.

8. Substitute other words or phrases of equivalent meaning for those italicized:

- (a) Pitt wanted to *prosecute hostilities*.
- (b) The period *was prolific* of great writers.
- (c) In India English *prowess* decided the *question of supremacy*.
- (d) The *obnoxious* measure was withdrawn at Pitt's *urgent solicitation*.
- (e) The most of them *preferred voluntary expatriation*.

- (f) The terms of peace though *lauded* by the king were bitterly *inveighed against*, as they *inadequately compensated* England for her *outlay*.