Writing varied sentences

Grade 5 Writing Worksheet

Rewrite the two paragraphs below so they have a mixture of short sentences and long sentences.

When you write, it is best to have a mixture of short sentences and long sentences. This helps make your writing interesting for readers.

Original paragraph:

I went for a walk in the jungle. At first, I saw lots of tigers. The tigers were sleeping. One was even snoring! I kept on walking. Next, I passed a tree full of monkeys. Three monkeys were chasing each other. A few monkeys were taking a nap. Other monkeys were cleaning themselves. It got more quiet as I continued on. The vegetation became thicker. The air became cooler. It also became darker. I decided to keep on walking…

Rewrite:

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Original paragraph:

It was one of those hot, sticky days where you simply don't want to get up off your couch and instead lie for hours watching TV and reading books. By the time 4pm came around, I had read 200 pages and started watching seven different shows without finishing any of them. All of a sudden, I heard the phone ring and I debated whether it was worth getting up to see who could be calling. After deciding to get up, I walked slowly to the phone, said hello and could not believe who was on the other side!

Rewrite:

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