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 entered a museum for the first time. Right away, I saw dinosaur fossils. The T-Rex was enormous. Its teeth looked sharp. I walked further in. There was an Egyptian exhibit next. The mummies were wrapped in old cloth. Gold jewelry glittered nearby. Then, I reached the space section. Stars twinkled from a huge screen. A model moon was suspended in air. It seemed so real. The rooms grew darker. Mysteries of the universe unfolded. I felt a sense of awe. I decided to explore more…

Rewrite:

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Original paragraph:

During our family vacation to the beach, it felt like we had been swallowed up by a postcard full of dazzling blue water, silky golden sand and a sun that was a giant lemon dropping into the ocean. I spent the morning building towering sandcastles that looked as if they were strong enough to survive the biggest waves, and by the afternoon, I was splashing in the water, laughing at all the fish that were darting around my feet. Just when I thought the day couldn't possibly get any better, I noticed something sparkling partially buried in the sand. Intrigued, I picked it up and examined it, and I could hardly believe what I was holding in my hand!

Rewrite:

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