

Some common examples of superfluous, awkward, unnecessary, or unnecessarily-long phrases or words

It has been shown that many eutrophic freshwater bodies worldwide **are facing** high potential risk to form blooms occurring toxic cyanobacteria mass frequently ...

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Many eutrophic freshwater bodies face high risk of frequent toxic cyanobacterial blooms ...

In a study by Smith et al. (1967), they showed that ...

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Smith et al. (1967) showed that ...

In order to determine the levels of diversity ...

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To determine the levels of diversity ...

The authors found **a large number of** ...

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The authors found many ...

The analyses **are dependent on** ...

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Future research **is needed to** assess ...

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Future research should assess ...

It is worth noting that forest amphibians can succumb to chytrid disease ...

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These results suggest that species richness may possibly relate to habitat complexity ...

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Use simple direct language. Examples of words to avoid ...

utilize, methodology, elucidate

Use instead ...

use, method, show

Avoid using unnecessary adverbs ...

e.g. The Andes Mountains are very high ...

Simply indicate that they are 'high' and if you wish to bolster the assertion cite some simple statistics.