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Sometimes students write short, choppy sentences in which the flow information seems unclear. Students can be taught to combine these choppy sentences into one sentence that communicates the information clearly, elegantly, and concisely.

Let's start with a very simple example.

The ball is red.

The girl is tall.

The girl tossed the ball.

The door is open.

The ball went through the door.

Combined: The tall girl tossed the red ball through the open door.

Capital Community College has an excellent explanation of sentence combining.

http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/GRAMMAR/combining_skills.htm