

How can you make your text more reader-friendly?

Readability principles (online modules), paragraphing, coherence, cohesion, vocabulary and style

↻ Purposeful use of paragraphs

- Each paragraph discusses a single topic
- A paragraph starts with a topic sentence

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↻ Right style for right genre

Using the right text style for different genres makes it easier to understand in different occasions.

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↻ Clarity

- Given-New principle
- Light-Heavy principle
- Using connectors

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↻ Adapting to the audience

- Understanding the audience's level of knowledge about the topic
- Explaining terms that might be unfamiliar to the audience

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↻ CLARITY OF TEXT

- Using the light-heavy principle
- Using the given-new principle
- Paragraph structure, one main idea per paragraph

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↻ Given-new principle

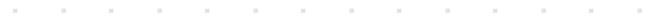
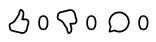
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↻ Light before heavy principle

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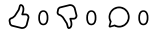
↻ Vocabulary

Using vocabulary that is known or should be known by the target audience.



⇒ **Connector phrases**

such as "moreover", "therefore"



⇒ **Coherence**

Order information logically. Use organisational patterns to order information and ideas within your text:

- problem-solution pattern
- extended definition
- chronological order
- general to specific
- cause and effect

