Writing Skills

## **Writing Sentences Practice**

The goal is to rewrite the following, keeping all of the information. You can combine sentences, change the order of words, drop words, and/or add words, but, again, do not leave out any of the details. Your final copy should be no more than eight sentences, and there should be a 15+ difference between your shortest and your longest sentence (i.e. if your shortest sentence is 5 words, then you need a sentence of at least 20 words, too).

Aluminum is a metal. It is abundant. It has many uses. It comes from bauxite. Bauxite is an ore. Bauxite looks like clay. Bauxite contains aluminum. It contains several other substances. Workmen extract these other substances from the bauxite. They grind the bauxite. They put it in tanks. Pressure is in the tanks. The other substances form a mass. They remove the mass. They use filters. A liquid remains. They put it through several other processes. It finally yields a chemical. The chemical is powdery. It is white. The chemical is alumina. It is a mixture. It contains aluminum. It contains oxygen. Workmen separate the aluminum from the oxygen. They use electricity. They finally produce a metal. The metal is light. It has a luster. The luster is bright. The luster is silvery. This metal comes in many forms.

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