

Revision Strategy Menu



Add

Ask yourself: "What can I add to make my writing clearer or more complete?"

When to use:

- Writing needs more explanation
- Missing information or a linking word (like *because* or *also*)

Example: I held the bridge up high. (7 syllables). → I held up the bridge up so high. (8 syllables)



Delete

Ask yourself: "Is there anything extra or off-topic?"

When to use:

- Repetition of the same words, phrases, or ideas
- Writing goes off topic

Example: I zoomed so very fast through the night. (9 syllables) → I zoomed so ~~very~~ fast through the night. (7 syllables)



Change

Ask yourself: "Can I say this in a better way?"

When to use:

- A word or phrase is not clear
- Make the message stronger by using different words

Example: I ran across the street so fast. → I dashed across the street so fast.



Rearrange

Ask yourself: "Would my writing make more sense in a different order?"

When to use:

- Important details are out of order
- Words, phrases, sentences or ideas are confusing

Example: I held the bridge up high, so strong. → So strong, I held the bridge up high.