



Parallelism

Parallelism establishes balance in a sentence. Related ideas should be presented in similar forms in a sentence. For example, if you use one verb with an -ing ending, use other verbs with the same ending.

Balance Ideas in a Series

- Error: I realized that it was important to **attend** class, **study** for exams, and **having** fun with friends.
- Correct: I realized that it was important to **attend** class, **study** for exams, and **have** fun with friends.

Balance Ideas in Pairs

- Error: The instructors are requiring their student to **complete** peer reviews and **preparing** self-evaluations.
- Correct: The instructors are requiring their student to **complete** peer reviews and **prepare** self-evaluations.

Comparisons Using As/Like

- Error: **Learning** about yourself is just as important as **to receive** a high grade.
- Correct: **Learning** about yourself is just as important as **receiving** a high grade.