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# The Redundant Worksheet on Redundancy

To keep your writing clear and effective, it is important to avoid redundancy. (Just check out the title!)

**Example:** **Incorrect:** Karen wrote an autobiography about her life.

**Correct:** Karen wrote an autobiography.

In this sentence, *autobiography* and *about her life* mean the same thing. It is unnecessary to use both.

**Directions:** Rewrite the following sentences so that they are no longer redundant.

1. Mario went to sleep at 10:30 p.m. at night.  
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2. It's a true fact that the speed of light is 299,792,458 meters per second.  
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3. Terrence fumigated his house to kill the termites dead.  
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4. It's a habitual custom for Mrs. Gonzalez to have a cup of tea when she reads the newspaper.  
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5. These curtains are shorter in length than those.  
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6. The citizens protested against the new law.  
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7. Will you return again?  
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8. The ATM machine is broken.  
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9. We must cooperate together if we're ever going to finish this science project.  
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10. The students voted completely unanimously to elect Katia class president.  
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11. John arrived early at the party, so he circled around the block for a while.  
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12. Bianca is an optimist; she thinks our futures to come will be full of happiness.  
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