

Replace the Noun



Look at the sentence below:

The dog ate the food because the dog was hungry. Feeling tired, the dog then went to lie down in the dog's bed.

The noun phrase 'the dog' has been used too many times so the sentence doesn't sound right. Once the reader knows who we are talking about, we can replace some of the nouns with pronouns to avoid repetition. For example:

The dog ate the food because **he** was hungry. Feeling tired, **he** then went to lie down in **his** bed.

Task: Underline the repeated noun or noun phrase in each sentence, and then replace it with a pronoun to avoid repetition.

1. Jessica was running late for school so Jessica went on Jessica's bike to get there on time.

2. The mouse was foraging for food when the mouse saw a fox. The mouse then rushed into the mouse's hole before the mouse was caught.

3. The lion shook the lion's mane as the lion walked along the rock.

4. Jack and Jill went up the hill with Jack and Jill's pail to fetch some water. Jack and Jill's mum and had sent Jack and Jill because she needed water to cook with.

5. "This was John's house before John moved. However, John has left some of his things here, which John will pick up. That's John's chair and those are John's CDs," said the estate agent.
