4 wordy writing problems

Here are some examples. The word in brackets can be removed when you're editing.

1. Meaningless modifiers or qualifiers

Avoid adding words thinking they'll add meaning or clarity when they don't.

- (end) result
- (brief) summary
- (completely) destroyed
- continue (on)
- (past) history
- plan (ahead)

2. Redundant categories

Avoid including words that spell out the category of a word when it's already obvious.

- brief (in duration)
- consensus (of opinion)
- free (of charge)
- (the month of) December
- (the state of) Victoria
- (period of) 3 weeks

3. Paired words

Avoid using a pair of words when they have roughly the same meaning.

- (each and) every
- first (and foremost)
- (full and) complete
- fees (and charges)
- cease (and desist)
- various (and sundry)

4. Wordy phrases

Avoid phrasing that includes extra words that aren't doing any extra work.

- (in order) to
- is (located) at
- during (the course of)
- until (such time as)
- owing to (the fact that)
- (both) x and y

Avoid these phrases	Try these instead
A considerable amount of	Many, a lot
A large number of	Many
Along the lines of	Like
A majority of	Most, many
A number of	Some, many
Any and all	All
As a consequence of	Because
As a matter of fact	In fact or DELETE
As a means to	To
Assess whether	Work out, see if
At first glance	First or DELETE
At the same time that	While
Because of the fact that	Because
Both of these, both of them	Both
Both [x] and [y]	[x] and [y]
Brings to mind	Reminds, suggests
By definition means	Means
By means of	By
By the use of	Using
Can be seen as	Is or DELETE
Concerning the matter of	About
Despite the fact that	Although
Did not succeed	Failed
Due to the effects	Because
Due to the fact that	Because
During the course of	During, while
Excessive number of	Too many
Final conclusion	Conclusion
Final result	Result
First and foremost	First
For all intents and purposes	Actually or DELETE
For that which is	For the
For the purpose of	For
Full and complete	Full
Future plans	Plans
Has a negative impact	Hinders, stops
Has (had or have) been found to	Is, was, are
Has (had or have) the ability to (capacity for)	Can, could
In a case in which	When, where
In accordance with	By
In a situation in which	In, when, where
In all likelihood (probability)	Likely, probably
In connection with	About
In light of the fact that	Because
In order to	To

Avoid these phrases	**Try these instead**
In reference to	About
In the final analysis	Finally
In the light of	Considering, because
In the majority of cases (instances)	Most
In view of the fact that	Because
Is able to	Can
Is found to be	Is
Is in conflict with	Contradicts, is against
Is in contrast with	Compared with, contrasts with
Is located at	Is at
It can be seen that	So or DELETE
It could happen that	Could, may, might
It is apparent (clear) that	Clearly
It is necessary that	Must
Last but not least	Finally
Later on	Later
Make reference to	Refer to
Manner in which	Way
Mix together	Mix
Of great importance	Important
On account of (the fact that)	Because
On the basis of	Because, based on
On the grounds that	Because
On the whole	Overall or DELETE
On top of all this	And then or DELETE
Overall goal	Goal
Owing to the fact that	Because
Period of time	Period, time
Pink in colour	Pink
Plan ahead	Plan
Prior to (Previous to)	Before
Providing that	If
Reconsider again	Reconsider
Regardless of the fact that	Although
The majority of	Most
The reason why	Reason, because
There is a chance that	It may, might, could
Throughout the course of	During, while
Totally obvious	Obvious
Whether or not	Whether, if
Which have been found to be	Are
With regard to	About, regarding
With the exception of	Except for