



Revising Sentences (Sample Answers)

1. Have a look at the first sentence:

Finally, technological literacy includes knowing how to use the university library search tools. There are the university search tools can appear more difficult then commercial online search engines. Tools like Google are easy and accessible. But present students with unfiltered information that they must evaluate for quality and relevance. University library automatically filter research information to suit the needs of academic study, they are a necessary resource that students need to be successful. Students can take in-class and online tutorials to learn how to use their library search portals.

In conclusion, it is the development of technological literacy will help students to achieve stronger research skills to support their academic study. These skills involve learning to use tools and learning to evaluate the potential of the research tools available.

Good or Revise?

Yes, off to a good start. The topic sentence is grammatically correct.

2. Consider the next sentence in bold:

Finally, technological literacy includes knowing how to use the university library search tools. **There are the university search tools can appear more difficult then commercial online search engines.** Tools like Google are easy and accessible. But present students with unfiltered information that they must evaluate for quality and relevance. University library automatically filter research information to suit the needs of academic study, they are a necessary resource that students need to be successful. Students can take in-class and online tutorials to learn how to use their library search portals.

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Good or Revise?



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Yes, Revise. Hint: consider the clarity between the subject and the verb.

Revision: Compare your revision to this sample with annotated explanations:

Finally, technological literacy includes knowing how to use the university library search tools. ~~There are the~~ **University search tools can appear more difficult than commercial online search engines.** Tools like Google are easy and accessible. But present students with unfiltered information that they must evaluate for quality and relevance. University library automatically filter research information to suit the needs of academic study, they are a necessary resource that students need to be successful. Students can take in-class and online tutorials to learn how to use their library search portals.

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Avoid starting sentences with “There are” or “There is” as it can lead to weakness and confusion with verbs. “There are the university search tools can appear” makes no sense. Also – watch out for the difference between then and than.

3. Let’s keep going. Consider the next two sentences in the paragraph, in bold here:

Finally, technological literacy includes knowing how to use the university library search tools. ~~There are the~~ **University search tools can appear more difficult than commercial online search engines. Tools like Google are easy and accessible. But present students with unfiltered information that they must evaluate for quality and relevance.** University library automatically filter research information to suit the needs of academic study, they are a necessary resource that students need to be successful. Students can take in-class and online tutorials to learn how to use their library search portals.

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Good or Revise?



Yes, Revise. Hint: Consider how the sentences could be connected.

Revision: Compare your revision to this sample with annotated explanations:

Finally, technological literacy includes knowing how to use the university library search tools. ~~There are the University search tools can appear more difficult than than commercial online search engines.~~ **Tools like Google are easy and accessible, but they present students with unfiltered information that they must evaluate for quality and relevance.** University library automatically filter research information to suit the needs of academic study, they are a necessary resource that students need to be successful. Students can take in-class and online tutorials to learn how to use their library search portals.

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The first sentence is fine. However, the second sentence is actually a sentence fragment – an incomplete thought. The fragment needs to be linked to the main sentence with a comma. The extra pronoun “they” is added for clarity.

4. Let’s move on to the next sentence:

Finally, technological literacy includes knowing how to use the university library search tools. ~~There are the University search tools can appear more difficult than than commercial online search engines.~~ **Tools like Google are easy and accessible, but they present students with unfiltered information that they must evaluate for quality and relevance.** **University library automatically filter research information to suit the needs of academic study, they are a necessary resource that students need to be successful.** Students can take in-class and online tutorials to learn how to use their library search portals.

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Good or Revise?



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Yes, Revise. Hint: Watch for subject-verb agreement and comma use.

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Finally, technological literacy includes knowing how to use the university library search tools. ~~There are the~~ University search tools can appear more difficult ~~then than~~ commercial online search engines. Tools like Google are easy and accessible, but they present students with unfiltered information that they must evaluate for quality and relevance. University libraries automatically filter research information to suit the needs of academic study, and, because of this, they are a necessary resource that students need to be successful. Students can take in-class and online tutorials to learn how to use their library search portals.

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First we need to correct the subject-verb agreement and make the subject plural to match the verb. Next, we need to correct the comma splice, where a comma is being used incorrectly to connect two sentences together. We could simply change it to a period to make two sentences. Or, as we've done here, we could add in some linking words to clarify the relationship between the two sentences. We add the conjunction "and" and a causal statement.

5. Ok, we're almost done. Have a look at this sentence:

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Good or Revise?

Yes good, this sentence makes sense and is written clearly.



6. Have a look at this sentence:

Finally, technological literacy includes knowing how to use the university library search tools. ~~There are the~~ University search tools can appear more difficult ~~then~~-than commercial online search engines. Tools like Google are easy and accessible, but they present students with unfiltered information that they must evaluate for quality and relevance. University libraries automatically filter research information to suit the needs of academic study, and, because of this, they are a necessary resource that students need to be successful. Students can take in-class and online tutorials to learn how to use their library search portals.

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Good or Revise?

Yes, Revise. Hint: look at the subject and the verb for clarity

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Finally, technological literacy includes knowing how to use the university library search tools. ~~There are the~~ University search tools can appear more difficult ~~then~~-than commercial online search engines. Tools like Google are easy and accessible, but they present students with unfiltered information that they must evaluate for quality and relevance. University libraries automatically filter research information to suit the needs of academic study, and, because of this, they are a necessary resource that students need to be successful. Students can take in-class and online tutorials to learn how to use their library search portals.

In conclusion, ~~it is~~ the development of technological literacy will help students to achieve stronger research skills to support their academic study. These skills involve learning to use tools and learning to evaluate the potential of the research tools available.

Sometimes sentences have mixed construction. We start them one way, but finish them differently. Here, the phrase "it is" is a false start and does not match the verb. Once we cut out "it is," the sentence is fine.



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7. And, finally, the last sentence:

Finally, technological literacy includes knowing how to use the university library search tools. ~~There are the University search tools can appear more difficult than~~ commercial online search engines. Tools like Google are easy and accessible, but they present students with unfiltered information that they must evaluate for quality and relevance. University libraries automatically filter research information to suit the needs of academic study, and, because of this, they are a necessary resource that students need to be successful. Students can take in-class and online tutorials to learn how to use their library search portals.

In conclusion, ~~it is the~~ development of technological literacy will help students to achieve stronger research skills to support their academic study. **These skills involve learning to use tools and learning to evaluate the potential of the research tools available.**

Good or Revise?

Yes, Revise. Hint: this sentence is grammatically accurate but poorly written with repetition.

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Finally, technological literacy includes knowing how to use the university library search tools. ~~There are the University search tools can appear more difficult than~~ commercial online search engines. Tools like Google are easy and accessible, but they present students with unfiltered information that they must evaluate for quality and relevance. University libraries automatically filter research information to suit the needs of academic study, and, because of this, they are a necessary resource that students need to be successful. Students can take in-class and online tutorials to learn how to use their library search portals.

In conclusion, ~~it is the~~ development of technological literacy will help students to achieve stronger research skills to support their academic study. **These skills involve learning both to use tools and to evaluate the potential of the research tools available.**

The word learning is repeated in the sentence, making it wordy and unnecessarily complicated. We can restructure the sentence to make it more direct and clear.