Freshman English
Sentence Sense
Sentence Manipulation Paper

Directions: (1) Using the sentence manipulation skills you have developed, combine the following kernels into complete, varied sentences. (2) Add your own title to your paper. (3) Use present tense active verbs.

1. There was a forest. 2. There was a path. 3. It was narrow. 4. It zigzagged into the darkness. 5. There was a mansion. 6. It was old. 7. It stood through the trees. 8. There were weeds. 9. They were tall. 10. They surrounded the mansion. 11. There were bushes. 12. They were untrimmed. 13. They surrounded the mansion. 14. No sign of life appeared. 15. There was thunder. 16. It was low. 17. It was rumbling. 18. It gave a warning. 19. It warned of a storm. 20. The storm would come. 21. It would come soon. 22. There was a group of children. 23. They sought shelter. 24. They entered the house. 25. The house was old. 26. There was a gust. 27. It was of wind. 28. It blew through the window. 29. It slammed the door violently. 30. There was a dim light. 31. It filtered into the lower hallway. 32. There were footsteps. 33. They pounded on the floor above. 34. Shrieks filled the air. 35. Wails filled the air. 36. There was a face. 37. It was ugly. 38. It appeared over the staircase. 39. They were terrified. 40. There was a wall. 41. They groped their way. 42. Their way was along the wall. 43. They searched for a door. 44. Minutes passed. 45. They found a knob. 46. They twisted it. 47. It opened readily. 48. They were surprised. 49. A blast of air struck their faces. 50. It was cool. 51. There was a trail. 52. It was winding. 53. They fled down the trial. 54. They did not glance back.