

## **NOUN – START IT!**

**Begin each sentence with a *plural noun*.**

Old: The counter was messy with supplies.

New: Supplies littered the counter.

Old: The children screamed.

New: Screams echoed from the kitchen.

Old: The grasslands were filled with elephants and giraffes.

New: Elephants and giraffes plodded slowly across the grassland's desert heat.

## **NOUN – STRETCH IT!**

**Add an appositive *after* a noun to provide additional information. Set the extra information off by commas.**

Old: Mother glared at the children.

New: Mother, a calm and patient person, glared at the children as they stood over the broken lamp.

Old: Shaggy surveyed the damage.

New: Shaggy, a curious boy, surveyed the damage after the tomb raiders fled.

Old: The cemetery was haunted.

New: The cemetery, filled with tombstones from the Civil War, was haunted.

## **NOUN – REPEAT IT! (POWER OF 3)**

**Repeat nouns in a sentence to create compound subject or object.**

Old: The blender broke and everything was splattered with messy chocolate milkshake.

New: When the blender broke, our mother, the countertops, and the cabinets were splattered with sticky chocolate milkshake.

Old: The yard was left in ruins.

New: At sunrise, we woke to find the garden, the deck, and the swingset in ruins.