

Consulting Syntax References

Sentence Length

Consult one of the texts below or a similar reference learn how **varying the length of your sentences** can create specific effects in your writing.

- *Fowler's Dictionary of Modern English Usage*
- *A Dictionary of Modern English Usage*
- *Tufte's Artful Sentences*



1. What effect do long sentences have on the reader?

2. What effect do short sentences have on the reader?

3. What effect do you want to create in your writing?

3. What does the reference recommend for creating this effect with sentence length?