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## Parallel Structure Worksheet

### Making the Sentences Parallel

Parallel structure means using the same pattern of words to show that two or more ideas have the same level of importance. This can happen at the word, phrase, or clause level. By balancing the items in a pair or a series so that they have the same kind of structure, it will make the sentence clearer and easier to read.

Examples: Peter likes the violin, the flute and the trumpet.

She played tennis, had a breakfast and went to college.

**Instruction: Make the following sentences in parallel form.**

1. The hall was spacious, airy, and it was not messy.
2. The painting was marvelous, superb, and looked beautiful.
3. She likes neither to wash clothes nor cleaning the floor.
4. They walked out of their hut, climbed onto the boat, and into the water.
5. I'll go to England in August, September or in November.
6. It was both a long movie and very boring.
7. The dry chicken chili was fresh, crisp and tasted delicious.
8. I spent the vacations working in the meadow, making a new door, and to paint a window.
9. Marina said she would prepare the charts, set the class, and that she would clean up afterwards.
10. That doctor has vigor, concern, and he is honest.

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**Answer key**

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