

Exercises: Rewrite each sentence to convey a strong authorial voice. You may modify each sentence in other ways to make it stronger.

1. In my opinion marijuana is used by many Americans today and will be continued to get purchased illegally.

2. I believe if given a proper chance and research, this cure has many unfulfilled potentials.

3. After reading this article I can honestly say I disagree; just because it worked for him does not mean it is going to work for others.

4. I never said that there was something wrong with being a little pudgy, as a matter of fact, most of us are.

5. Above all, I believe that Pit Bulls do not act in a vicious manner on their own accord.

6. Some argue that the internet makes us less human, more automated; I completely disagree because communication through computers will never replace human communication.

7. While some believe that electronic communication is making us less likely to stray from our computers, I think it is making us more productive, allowing us to get more accomplished.

8. However, what I feel is missing most from our lack of human contact is what's most important – eye contact and body language.

9. Although some believe that technology is responsible for our greatest achievements, I believe technology is responsible for humanity's greatest downfall.

10. I'm not saying technology should be denigrated and neglected because sometimes it is necessary to communicate with others via email, text, or other social media.

11. I agree that the lack of personal contact with our fellow human beings does decrease potential opportunities for face-to-face discussions.

12. I am not totally against the use of computers, because they do accomplish tasks efficiently and process information rapidly.

13. Some people believe that the loss of personal contact makes us less human, more automated. According to my opinion, I strongly agree with this statement.

14. I disagree that the internet has made us more automated; I believe that if email and social networking are used correctly, they can encourage more human interaction.

15. In my opinion, I agree with the author that teenagers should not listen to music while they do homework.