# CRITICAL THINKING

IS A SET OF TECHNIQUES. YOU JUST NEED TO LEARN THEM.

## PRACTICAL ~~TIPS~~ PRINCIPLES FOR REWRITING...

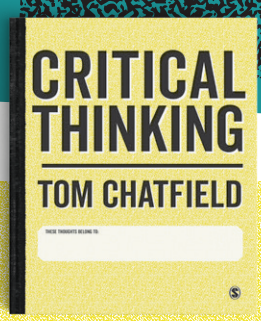
POINT 1. **BE BRIEF:** LOOK FOR UNNECESSARILY WORDY PHRASES THAT CAN BE REPLACED BY SIMPLER, SHORTER ONES.

POINT 2. **BE CLEAR:** LOOK FOR LONG, COMPLEX SENTENCES THAT WOULD BE BETTER OFF AS SEVERAL SHORTER ONES.

POINT 3. **CLARITY ISN'T THE SAME AS PRECISION:** IT'S MUCH MORE IMPORTANT TO SAY CLEARLY WHAT YOU MEAN THAN TO OBSESS ABOUT DEFINING EVERY TERM PRECISELY.

POINT 4. **GUIDE YOUR READER:** USE SIGNPOSTING WORDS AND LINKS TO CLARIFY THE FLOW OF YOUR IDEAS.

POINT 5. **REVISE RADICALLY:** DON'T BE AFRAID TO SHIFT AROUND SENTENCES AND PARAGRAPHS AS MUCH AS NEEDED TO IMPROVE STRUCTURE AND FLOW.

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