

Add variety to your writing

# Vary the Sentence Openings

# *Use a conjunction*

***While** John was watching the TV, the phone rang.*

***Because** Mary was sad, her friends tried to cheer her up.*

# *Use a simile*

***As quietly as a mouse,** he crept past his parents' bedroom.*

***Like a diamond ring,** it twinkled brightly in the sunlight.*

# *Use an adverb*

***Reluctantly,** he went out shopping.*

***Carefully,** she opened the castle gate.*

# *Use a preposition*

In the middle of the sea, there was an island.

- Under the bridge lived a fierce troll.