

Example of Sentence Editing Draft Editing

Excerpt from an original draft

They didn't go to her graduation and they kicked her out not even a week later. They were livid. Their only daughter had disappointed them. While Marisol didn't intentionally mean to make her parents upset. She did. She knew their rules and didn't follow them. She didn't understand how they could kick her out. She had never done anything bad before. She had always done what they asked. Had always done what the church asked. Even if it meant going against some of her own beliefs. Not only was she kicked out of her house but she was also disfellowshipped from her church.

Excerpt broken up into sentence editing draft (with edit marks).

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She knew their rules and didn't follow them.

She didn't understand how they could kick her out:

She had never done anything bad before, and

She had always done what they and the church asked,

~~Had always done what the church asked.~~

Even if it meant going against some of her own beliefs.

Not only was she kicked out of her house, but she was also disfellowshipped from her church.

Revised version:

They didn't go to her graduation, and they kicked her out not even a week later--they were livid. Their only daughter had disappointed them. While Marisol didn't intentionally mean to make her parents upset, she did because she knew their rules and didn't follow them. She didn't understand how they could kick her out: she had never done anything bad before, and she had always done what they and the church asked, even if it meant going against some of her own beliefs. Not only was she kicked out of her house, but she was also disfellowshipped from her church.

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