**Unparallel Structure** 

DEFINITION: <u>Parallel structures</u> are phrases or clauses within sentences that repeat the same word forms (nouns, verbs, adjectives, and the like) in the same order to perform

EXAMPLE: Hoping that they could forge a better relationship, Celia and her mother tried to talk openly and to understand the other's concerns.

EXERCISE: ASSESS WHETHER THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE ILLUSTRATES PARALLELISM. IF NOT, REVISE THE SENTENCE SO THAT ITS ELEMENTS ARE PARALLEL.

1. Taking notes is essential for remembering key information and to enhance doodling skills.

Let's explore parallelism in individual words!

Words and Parallelism

WORDS CAN CREATE PARALLELISM, TOO. CHECK OUT THE EXAMPLE BELOW.

EXAMPLE: My family generally does not exchange gifts for birthdays, but last year, my grandma gave me a dress, a locket, and a purse.

EXAMPLE: Though I don't wear a lot of orange, I love the dress, which is orange, brown, and red.

8. My favorite winter indulgences are naps, cooking comforting meals, and hot