

Chapter 8: Writing Effective Sentences**Review C: Revising Stringy and Wordy Sentences**

The following paragraph is hard to read because it contains stringy and wordy sentences. First, identify the stringy and wordy sentences. Then, type a new and revised paragraph in the box provided, improving the style of the paragraph.

When you have finished the activity, print it out.

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- EXAMPLE**
1. A realistic announcement of an alien invasion would be just as frightening today as it was as frightening in 1938.
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On October 31, 1938, an amazing event took place that was very surprising. Many families were gathered around their radios, and they were listening to music, and then they heard that Martians had invaded Earth. Actually, the fact is that the news report was a radio version of an H. G. Wells's novel. Orson Welles, who was the producer of this famous hoax, made the show very realistic. Thousands of Americans were frightened and upset, and many people jumped in their cars to escape from the aliens, and some people even reported seeing the Martians and their spaceships.