

## Exercises for Tutorial 10. Parallel Structure

**Principle I:** Parallel structure should include the same grammatical elements.

**Principle II:** Parallel structure should describe the same thing and use the same verb tense.

### Exercise 1

**Instructions:** Some of the following sentences do not correctly list the same kinds of words. Using Principles I and II, make corrections when necessary. If the sentence is correct, write “CORRECT.” You may have to make substantial revisions, either by substituting a phrase with a single word or changing the parallel structure altogether. The first sentence has been done for you. *Either answer CORRECT, or type, write, or copy-paste and revise in the answer boxes.*

1. When Jaime last saw his parents, they started to criticize his clothes, to nag him about his job, and putting down his wife.

When Jaime last saw his parents, they started to criticize his clothes, to nag him about his job, and **to put down** his wife.

2. Let’s face it: we all want money, health and to be happy.

3. I went to the store, was driving home, and pulled in the driveway.

4. Yi adores Hungarian dishes like hortobagy pancakes, stuffed duck, and spicy ingredients.

5. The Mateo brothers worked as lumberjacks, psychotherapists, fruit-pickers, and driving trucks.

**Principle III: Parallel structure should start at the same point in the sentence.**

## Exercise 2

**Instructions:** Using Principles I, II, and III, revise the following sentences to restore the parallel structure. The first one has been done for you. *Type, write, or copy-paste and revise in the answer boxes.*

1. No one helped the President with the budget or consulting the First Lady.

No one helped the President with the budget or **consulted** the First Lady.

2. The union leader spoke with passion, conviction and for several hours.

3. Most women would like men to help with domestic chores such as cleaning, cooking, washing and more free time.

4. She has an open mind, is willing to listen to anyone's opinions, but a heart of stone.

5. I ran home, threw my clothes into the laundry, and the linen.

6. She helped to change the oil in the car, weed the yard, and with moving the furniture.