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Wordy Sentence and Passive Voice Worksheet

Strengthen these sentences by removing the fillers *it* and *there*, and rewrite the sentences to emphasize the logical subjects and verbs. (6 pts)

- 1. There are many mechanics who own their own tools.
- 2. It was noticed by the pilot that the air speed indicator was malfunctioning.
- 3. There are two screws that fasten the cover to the wall box.
- 4. There are several different types of needles that can be used.

Eliminate the unnecessary words in these sentences.

- 1. This morning at 8:00 am the prisoners were transferred away to the prison facility by means of a bus.
- 2. It is absolutely necessary that the scalpels be sharp-edged in order to bisect the specimens in two.
- 3. Remove any and all foreign objects from the sensor machine.
- 4. I am of the opinion that the city and county agencies are at this point in time cooperating together.
- 5. Either one or the other of the timetables is totally acceptable.
- 6. I found it to be interesting.
- 7. I ended up choosing to attend Purdue.