Academic Style

Which of these are academic? **Passive** could / might I think Smith says It has been argued This shows but / too Smith argues However, / In addition, Academic Not academic

Exercise 1.

Using what we have just seen, what is wrong with the sentence below?

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Think about:

vague language subjective language

informal vocabulary

Exercise 2.

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Exercise 3.



Now examine this extract

The example of Paro, which is really cute, makes us see how a robot is used in an old people's home. This is good. All old people need Paro. Some people think that Paro is not helpful for old people.

- Which information is unnecessary?
- Which information should be hedged?
- Which information is vague?
- Which linking device could be used to join the last sentence?

Exercise 4.

Now rewrite the extract so that it is more academic.								