

## Eliminating Choppiness

Find ways to combine sentences to eliminate the choppiness of this paragraph and make it flow. Think of coordination, subordination, use of appositives, and so on. Combine any way you wish; feel free to eliminate words as you see fit.

Parallel Lives was written by Phyllis Rose. Ms. Rose is a professor of English at Wesleyan University. She has written several other books of interest to feminist and literary scholars. Parallel Lives is the study of five Victorian marriages. Each of these marriages contained one famous writer. Three of the marriages were passionless. One of them devolved into a scandal. The other was unconventional but happy. Ms. Rose describes each of these marriages. She analyzes the relationships of the partners. She doesn't analyze them in terms of love; she analyzes them in terms of the power each partner feels with regard to the other. She advances some very interesting ideas on the subject of human relationships. These ideas are very thought-provoking. They make the reader reconsider his or her relationship choices in a new light. Parallel Lives is extremely well researched. At the same time it is highly readable. The book is a fascinating read. It will be particularly fascinating to anyone interested in the personal lives of some of the most famous Victorian writers.