

Original Sentence I

The neighborhood's neatness occurs automatically, once the garbage collectors empty the dumpsters, and the stray dogs and raccoons have retreated from contact with humans.

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Structure of Original Sentence I

This situation	"The neighborhood's neatness"
comes about this way	"occurs automatically"
once A and B take place.	"once [A] the garbage collectors empty the dumpsters, and [B] the stray dogs and raccoons have retreated from contact with humans."

Original Sentence II

With the first dips in August's temperatures, before the hardwoods' colors soften, mallards, canvasbacks and other species of ducks gather in "families" and rehearse for their migration to the sloughs and waterways in the south.

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Copy-Change of Sentence II

With apologies to no one, before the last bell rings, a stir of serious students, sweethearts, straw-haired cheerleaders, and a few male adolescent thugs put away their contraband and gravitate toward the twin doorways of Clark High.

(37 words)