### General Strategies for Editing and Proofreading

**Walk Away**
The longer you can leave your writing before revising, the more objective you can be and be more effective at detecting problems.

**Read your Paper Out loud!**
To revise your paper, read your paper out loud! You will hear your mistakes.

**Read your Paper Backwards or Cover Sections**
By reading your paper backwards or covering sections you can concentrate on sentences and words rather than on the paper's meaning as a whole.

**Use your Resources**
Ensure your language is varied by using dictionaries and thesauruses.
Be cautious with this! Be sure your voice is still present in your writing.

**Proofread**
Go over your writing for big surface level errors. Grammarly is an excellent tool to catch more mistakes.

**Get Help**
Don’t go in alone! Ask a librarian, instructor, friend, or family member to read through your paper.
No time? Try Grammarly.