

Useful links for making your writing plainer

[Plain English Campaign](#) (including [Drivel Defence Software](#) and [Free Guides](#)) I can especially recommend the document 'The A-Z of alternative words'.

[Hemingway Editor App](#) (where you can have your text analysed at a basic level – you need to buy a subscription for a more advanced level)

The Hemmingway Editor App uses the Automated Readability Index (ARI) to assess your text. You can read more about the ARI [here](#).

I don't use [Grammarly](#) but you might take a look at it and prefer it to the Hemmingway Editor App. Again, you paste your text into the software and have it analysed. You have to sign up for Grammarly, but it is free to do so.

You can also find the Commission's three guides on writing plainly at these links:

[Tips for translators](#)

[Claire's clear writing tips](#)

[Misused English words and expressions](#)

You can watch the short TED video on Nominalisations – 'Beware of Nominalizations (US spelling)' at [this link](#). (Warning: The speaker uses the word 'concrete' at least twice – but apart from that 'crime' the video is useful.)

Best regards

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