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- Identifying 16 types of flabby writing
- Exercises that help you avoid wordiness
- Using sidebars and checklists to streamline
- Tests that show how concise your prose is-and how to make it better!

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