

## **Term: “Ideas and writing are precise/ concise”**

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**Definition:** Precision means that what is said is exactly what the author is trying to say - connotation, word form, usage, accuracy, etc.

Concision means that all words are necessary and contribute to the meaning of the sentence - there is almost nothing that can be edited out.

## **Example**

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“Shakespeare employs the opposition of light and dark in Romeo and Juliet, a tragic play where two lovers are destined to be together, or so they believe. From the moment Romeo lays eyes on Juliet, he notices that she brings forth an entity of light to his perpetual darkness like a glowing orb; however, Juliet’s brilliance eventually blinds Romeo, causing him to defy the feuding Capulet and Montague families. This opposition reveals that love disorients and distracts and makes lovers oblivious to the inevitable darkness.”

**Analysis:** This thesis is insightful and nuanced. The word choice heightens precision (“employs”, “entity of light to his perpetual darkness”, “love disorients”, “inevitable darkness”) and the command of sentence structures and language leads to concise writing.

