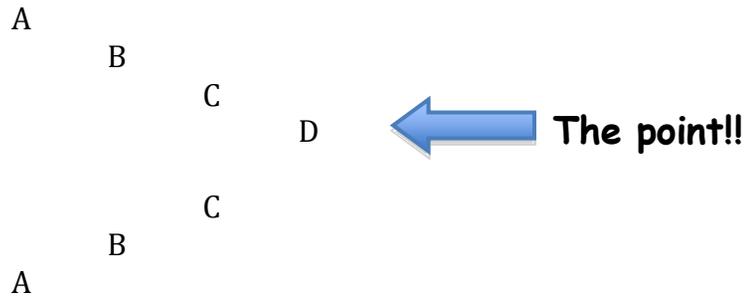


Chiasm is a Hebrew and Greek parallel scheme that arranges material in a parallel structure that emphasizes the POINT.



Think of it as “verbal highlighting”!

Here's one in *1 John 1:5-10*! See if you can figure it out for yourself...

⁵ This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸ If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

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Please note how verse 8 sets the tone for Chapter Two. Interesting, no?