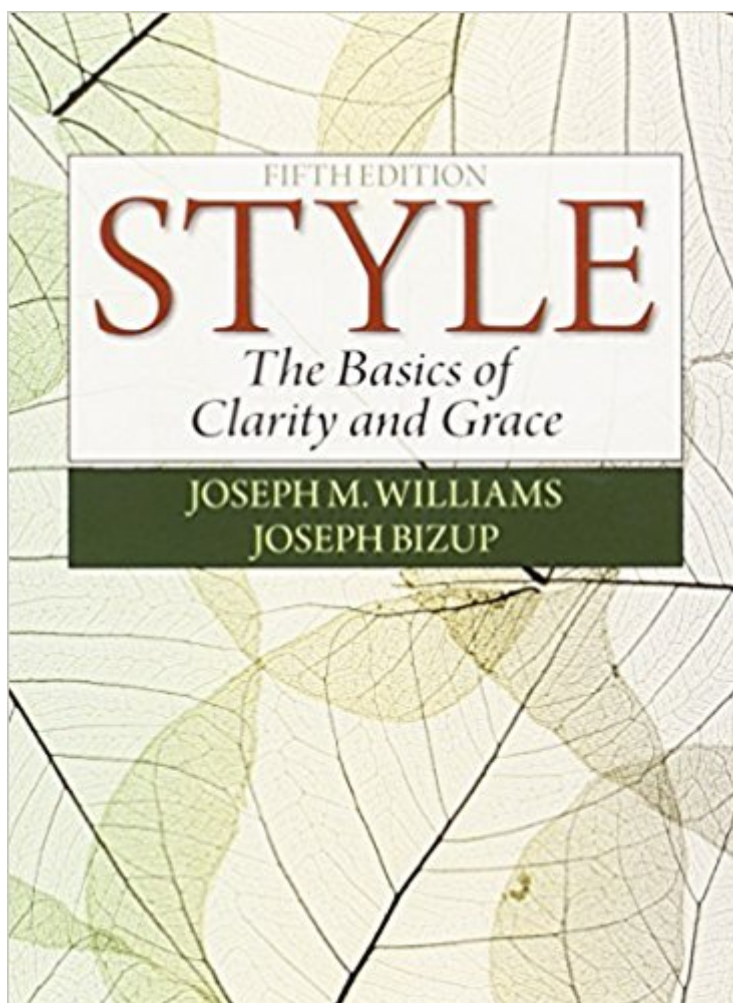


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The book is fantastic. Hardly thicker than Strunk & White, it couldn't be more different. Real advice, understandable explanations, illuminating examples, and a wide scope of relevant topics. Refreshingly, Williams eschews trite pearls of wisdom; he in fact devotes ample space to educate the reader about counterexamples to classical dogma, cases where opinions rehashed by venerated "authorities" really hurt. Yes, short sentences are great, but if you can't write a long sentence that's also understandable, you're like a composer who cannot produce anything but

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