Developing Writing Style

Phrase for Word Substitution

Three ways to substitute a word with a phrase:

1. **Describe** – what the word is or does

   He peeled the elongated yellow fruit slowly.

2. **Metaphor** – compare that one thing IS another

   She entered the room with the swagger of a lion.

2. **Kenning** – describe some individual quality of the noun for the noun itself.

   They screamed when they saw the web-dangler.

Rewrite the following passage, substituting phrases for the underlined words. You may change any other words or phrase as needed to help your sentences flow.

My family arrived for dinner. We sat down in the dining room. After dinner, the coffee was served. But when everyone saw the problem, a fight broke out.

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