Moderating Your Academic Voice

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| * *largely*
* *generally*
* *somewhat*
* *arguably*
* *mostly*
* *(often)*
 | * *is considered*
* *can be considered*
* *is believed to...*
* *to a large extent*
* *to some extent*
* *to a certain extent*
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I. Use the words and phrases in the table above to improve the text below. (Be sure to "controlar alterações" on the Word document.)

**Why you should live in Curitiba**

While there are many places for people to live in Brazil, Curitiba is one of the best. Although it is true that, as in other Brazilian capital cities, crime has increased and the quality of life has suffered, it is still better than most metropolises. For example, the public transportation system is efficient and operates on schedule. While it is true that population growth has made that system less punctual and comfortable than it once was, it remains a reliable way to get around. Another noteworthy aspect of Curitiba is its green space, which is the greatest in all of Brazil. Curitiba is full of parks and other green recreational areas. In fact, the city of Curitiba itself is a "green city" because it is socially responsible in the way it recycles waste and cares for the environment.

II. Write a short text based on the themes below, incorporating the words and phrases practiced above. (Please choose only one theme.) Later you will post this text on your blog.

Why \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is/are my favorite \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

OR

Why \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is/are the best \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Example:

Why the Beatles are my favorite 1960s band

Among the many great rock and roll bands from the 1960s, the Beatles stand out as the best. While it is true that the Rolling Stones, for example, have **arguably** produced more hit songs, and the Beach Boys **are generally believed to** have had more influence in "pop" music from that era, the Beatles **can be considered** to belong to a category that is **largely** different from any other 1960s musical artist. For example, one of the....