How to Paraphrase

What is paraphrasing?

 Unlike a DIRECT QUOTE (when you copy the author word-for-word), when you paraphrase, you will put a direct quote into your own words in order to use it as evidence in your writing.

 You still have to give credit to the author of the direct quote when you paraphrase.

What is paraphrasing NOT?

 Paraphrasing is NOT a summary of what you've read.



WHEN YOU PARAPHRASE, YOU ARE NOT USING A DIRECT QUOTE!!!!

DO NOT USE QUOTATION
MARKS UNLESS YOU HAVE
COPIED EXACTLY WHAT
THE AUTHOR SAYS!!!

Don't forget....

 When you paraphrase, you must always include a parenthetical citation because you did NOT make up the information provided.



But why?!

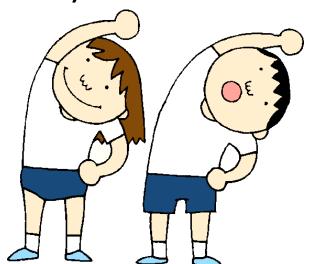
 You must use textual evidence to prove your point. If you do not, the reader will NOT believe you.

 If you paraphrase, you still find textual evidence!!

 You did not make up the thought, so you must give credit to author.

What is a parenthetical citation?

- Identifies the sources in parenthesis placed as close as possible to the borrowed words or ideas
- Usually this information is the author's last name and the page from which it was taken (Smith 22)

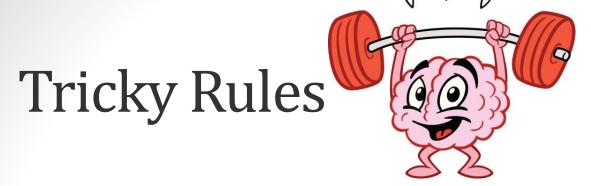


Direct Quote Examples

- Professor D.O. Hebb said, "I do not accept ESP for a moment, because it does not make sense" (Hebb 45).
- "It is an ever expanding field with much promise" ("Registered Nurse").
- "We do not have the evidence right now, but soon it will be immanent" (Occupational Outlook 349).

Paraphrased Examples

- According to Professor Hoeb, ESP is unacceptable because it makes no sense (Hebb 45).
- There is much promise in the field of nursing since the field is expanding ("Registered Nurse").



• If no author is listed, just use the title of the article, book, or website.

- If the work is only one page and has line numbers, write the line numbers instead of the page number.
- Need extra help? See the "Research Tab" under "Student Resources" on your Hold Online Textbook!

You Try!

- Parenthetical Citation Practice
- On your board, write down what your parenthetical citation would look like if your paraphrase or quote came from...
- 1. Arnold Jones and page 325 of his novel.
- 2. Betsy Thomas on page 2 of her article.
- 3. There is no author, but the website is called *Discovery*.
- 4. The author is T.S. Eliot, and the quote came from line 12 of his poem.
- 5. The author is J.K. Rowling, and the paraphrase came from page 2 of her article.

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 When you find evidence from the text that you would like to cite in your paper, follow these simple steps.



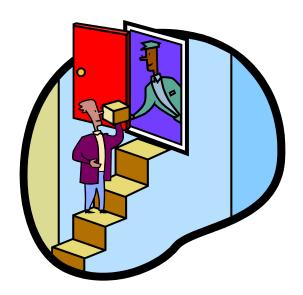
- Read the text for comprehension.
- Try to understand the text as a whole rather than in parts.



- Think of "your own words." Describe the passage using "your own words."
- This will be a summary for understanding and comprehension.



 Choose a small portion that provides appropriate evidence or research for your paper or paragraph.



- Look away from the source then write.
- Read the text you want to paraphrase several times until you feel that you understand it and can use your own words to restate it to someone else. Then, look away from the original and rewrite the text in your own words.



Step 4 Tips

- 1. Change the structure of the excerpt.
- 2. Change the words in the excerpt.
- 3. USE TRANSITIONS in the paragraph to indicate textual evidence.
 - 1. According to the author
 - 2. In the text
 - 3. For example, Wharton expands on
 - 4. Another key point in the article is...
 - 5. With this in mind, Wharton...
 - 6. As found in the text...
 - 7. To elaborate from the text...

 Write the transitional phrase and the paraphrase in your paper. Then, add a citation to the end of the section you have taken from the author.

Transitional phrase,

Paraphrase of quote or portion to be used as evidence

Parenthetical citation.

For Example

• <u>Claim</u>: The bombings of Hiroshima are important to the history of mankind. <u>Direct quote I want to use</u>: "The bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, which took place forty years ago, are among the most thoroughly studied moments on human record" (Erikson 311).

Transitional phrase,

Paraphrase of quote or portion to be used as evidence

Parenthetical citation.

• <u>Claim</u>: The bombings of Hiroshima are important to the history of mankind. <u>Paraphrase</u>: For example, in the article Erikson articulates that the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, although over 40 years old, are still thoroughly studied moments of human history (311).

Example 2

• <u>Claim</u>: U.S. Representative Barbara Jordan has generated excitement and commitment to our country through her impactful speeches.

<u>Direct quote I want to use</u>: "Not since Franklin Roosevent has either political party had an adherent with more rights to a podium— She [U.S. Rep. Barbara Jordan] is one of the very few Americans who should be allowed to make speeches" (Morris 304).

Transitional phrase,

Paraphrase of quote or portion to be used as evidence

Parenthetical citation.

• <u>Claim</u>: U.S. Representative Barbara Jordan has generated excitement and commitment to our country through her impactful speeches. <u>Paraphrase</u>: In fact, according to Morris, Barbara is one of few who should even be allowed to visit the podium (304).

Practice: Read to yourself 3 times.

 Love and Toil maintains that family survival was the mother's main charge among the large majority of London's population who were poor or working class; the emotional and intellectual nurture of her child or children and even their actual comfort were forced into the background. To mother was to work for and organize household subsistence.

From ROSS page 55.

Without looking back, tell your partner what this excerpt says.

Practice Example: Changing the Structure

 Children of the poor at the turn of the century received little if any emotional or intellectual nurturing from their mothers, whose main charge was family survival. Working for and organizing household subsistence were what defined mothering. Next to this, even the children's basic comfort was forced into the background (Ross 55).

Practice Example: Changing the Words

 According to Ross, poor children at the turn of the century received little mothering in our sense of the term. Mothering was defined by economic status, and among the poor, a mother's foremost responsibility was not to stimulate her children's minds or foster their emotional growth but to provide food and shelter to meet the basic requirements for physical survival. Given the magnitude of this task, children were deprived of even the "actual comfort" (55) we expect mothers to provide today.

Paraphrasing Example

- "...William Caxton had printed the first book in English. That event might also be taken as marking the beginning of the Modern period." (From Algeo pg. 271)
- Sample Paraphrase: According to the author, William Caxton's printing of the first English book may have signaled the start of the Modern period (Algeo 271).
- Sample Paraphrase: The beginning of the Modern period was likely marked by William Caxton after he printed the first book in English (Algeo 271).

Practice Paraphrase 1

- 1. Transitional phrase to introduce textual evidence.
 - The quote paraphrased.
 - 3. Parenthetical Citation.
- 1. "The gap between the rich and the poor seems to have widened in the 1570s and 1580s; wealth and power are concentrated in the hands of the few, and many people can't even find a job." (from Papp pg. 260)
- 2. "Like his fellow Cavalier poets, Richard Lovelace was very rich, at least at the beginning of his life." (From Hollar pg. 262)
- 3. "The House of Tudor brought peace to the land, introduced the Reformation and Renaissance to England, helped to promote a pride in things English, and began to spread English all over the world." (from Algeo pg. 271)

Practice Paraphrase 2

- 1. Transitional phrase to introduce textual evidence.The quote paraphrased.3. Parenthetical Citation.
- 4. "Gridlock has gripped America, threatening to transform its highways and flyways into snarled barriers to progress" (Koepp 2).
- 5. "The Detroit Tigers baseball team lost an important asset last week when its newly hired outfielder, Fred Lynn, failed to qualify to postseason play" (Williams 9).
- 6. "Norbert Jones coined the term *cybernetics* in order to describe the study of control and communication in the animal and the machine" (Kidder 1).