

Module 2 - Corporate skills content

Paraphrasing and Summarising

Activity

Summary Writing examples With Answers #1

A man in the east gave up all worldly concerns and went to a wood, where he built a hut and lived in it. His only clothing was a piece of cloth that he wore around his waist. But as ill luck would have it, rats were plentiful in the wood; so he had to keep a cat. The cat requires milk; so he had to keep a cow. The cow required tending, so a cowboy was employed.

The boy required a house to live in. So a house was built for him. To look after the house a maid had to be engaged. To provide company for the maid a few more houses had to be made, and people were invited to live in them. In this manner, a little township sprang up in the lovely wood. (136 words)

Title – A forest turns into a town

A man gave up all worldly things and went to live in a block of lovely wood. Rats troubled him. So he kept a cat. To feed the cat he kept a cow. Then came one by one a cowboy, a maid, and her companions. They needed houses to live in. Thus the forest turned into a town. (58 words)

Summarise this paragraph

The noblest deeds that have been done on earth have not been done for gold. It was not for the sake of gold that Lord Jesus came down and died on the cross. The Spartans looked for no reward where they fought and died at Thermopylae. Socrates the wise asked for no pay from his countrymen but lived poor and barefooted all his days only caring to make them good and noble. And there are heroes even in our own days who do noble deeds but not for gold.

Our discoverers did not go to make themselves rich when they sailed out one after another into the dreary frozen seas: nor did the ladies who went out to drudge in hospitals of the East make themselves poor so that they might be rich in noble work. (136 words)

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Summary Activity 2

Nelson, as a child, was not of a strong body. Yet he gave proof of that resolute heart and nobleness of mind which during the whole of his glorious career so eminently distinguished him. One day he strayed from his grandmother's house in the company of a cowboy. The dinner hour passed; he was absent and could not be found. The alarm of the family became very great, for they feared that he might have been carried off by the gipsies.

At length after a long search, he was discovered sitting composedly by the side of a brook which he could not get over. "I wonder, child," said the old lady, when she saw him, "That hunger and fear did not drive you home", Fear! grandmamma," replied the future hero," I never saw fear; what is it?" (137 words)

Exercise 3

Summarise what you learnt in your Technical Skill ,Aptitude and Corporate Skill classes. Do not write more than 50 - 75 words.

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