

PARAPHRASING Techniques

Tactics to rewrite something
in a different way

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Paraphrasing

- To paraphrase is to say the same thing in another way, using your own words.
- We can successfully paraphrase by using a combination of techniques.

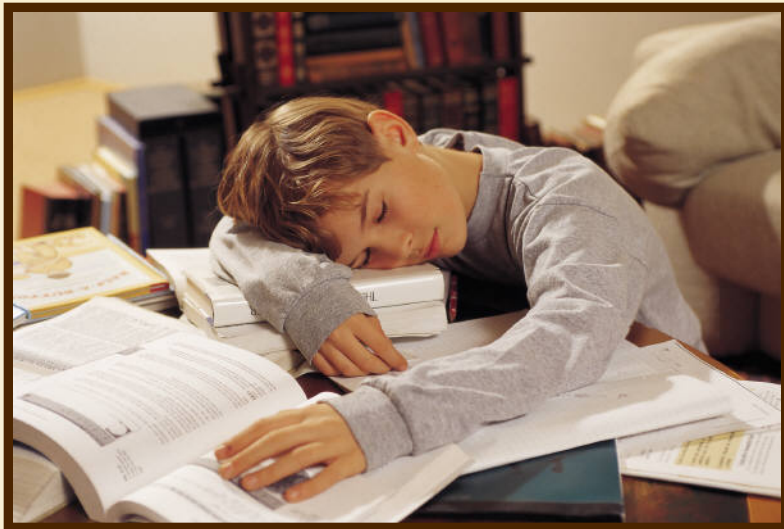


Paraphrasing Techniques

1. Change from a Clause to a Phrase (or vice versa)
2. Change from Quoted Speech to Indirect Speech (or vice versa)
3. Change from Active Voice to Passive Voice (or vice versa)
4. Change to Synonyms
5. Change Word Forms

Change from a Clause to a Phrase

- After he studied, John took a nap.
- **After studying**, John took a nap.
- ◆ The house **across the street** is new.
- ◆ The house that is across the street is new.



Change from Quoted Speech to Indirect Speech

- Mr. Lee said, “I am ready for lunch.”
- Mr. Lee said **he was ready for lunch.**



**“I am ready
for lunch.”**

Change from Active Voice to Passive Voice

- A hotel employee will carry your bags.
- Your bags will be carried by a hotel employee.



.....and replace words with synonyms.

- A hotel employee will carry your bags.
- **Your bags will be carried by a hotel employee.**
- ◆ **Your luggage will be picked up by a bell boy.**



Change Word Forms

- Use an adverb instead of an adjective
- Use a verb to replace a noun.
- GROG is an accurate typist.
- **GROG types accurately.**



Change to Synonyms

- Replace the original words with words that mean the same.

The stallion was **content** with the mare.

The stallion was **happy** with the mare.



When You can't find a Synonym

- Replace the original word with a definition.
- The stallion was content with the mare.
- The male horse was happy with the female horse.



Combine Techniques

Change to a phrase & add synonyms or definitions

- After he ate lunch, Mike took a nap.
- After **eating lunch**, **Mike slept a little**.



Combine Techniques

Change to a phrase & add synonyms or definitions

- The house that is across the street is old.
- The house across the street is old.
- The house on the other side of the street is old.
- The dwelling on the other side of the road is ancient.

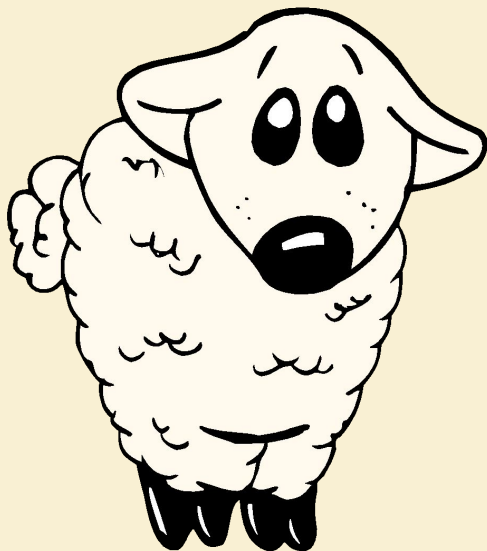


Interpret Meaning.....Identify the underlying meaning of a statement.

The wolf said, “I am ready for lunch.”

The sheep looked very worried.

The wolf complained about being hungry which made the sheep extremely anxious.



I am ready
for Lunch



Change transitions

- Although it was raining, Bob walked to work.
- **It was raining, but Bob walked to work.**
- **It was raining; however, Bob walked to work.**



..... and change word forms

- Although it was raining, Bob walked to work.
 - It was raining, but Bob walked to work.
 - It was raining; however, Bob walked to work.
- ◆ **Despite the rain, Bob went to work on foot.**



☺ Your Turn ☺

Paraphrase the following:

- Today, people are worried about internet security.
- Advocates of internet tracking believe that it helps marketers to understand what people want.
- People who oppose internet tracking believe that it is an invasion of privacy.
- This information age will cause more and more people to become concerned with the level of personal detail that can be found from the internet.