Learning to Write in Your Discipline: Paraphrasing, Summarizing, Quoting, and Citing

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Why Peer-Reviewed Journals?

• Editorial Assistant (MA/PhD)
• Editor (PhD)
• Assistant Editor (PhD)
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  – Reviewer A
  – Reviewer B
  – Reviewer C
Why Peer-Reviewed Journals?

• Round 2 Review
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  – Reviewer B
  – Reviewer C
• Editor (PhD)
• Editorial Assistant (MA/PhD)
• Publisher Representative (MA/PhD)
Why Peer-Reviewed Journals?

• 10 Experts Helping
  – 6 Specialists
  – 3 General field experts

• 8 Revisions
  – 2 or 3 Major revisions
  – 5 or 6 Formatting, spelling, and grammatical revisions
Bloom’s Taxonomy

- Remember
- Understand
- Apply
- Analyze
- Evaluate
- Create
## Bloom’s Taxonomy and Your Article

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3 STRATEGIES FOR AVOIDING PLAGIARISM
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• Quotations- Using the exact same words as the source in quotation marks with a page # citation.

• Summaries- Giving a short version of the basic idea from the original source with a citation for the whole source.

• Paraphrases- Using your own words to say an idea from the original with a page # citation.
3 Strategies: How common are they?

Most Common
Paraphrasing

Summarizing

Least Common
Quotations
How to quote

1. Exact words as part of your sentence.
2. Exact whole sentence.
3. Exact long quote or block quote.
Let’s try it!

• A panda is a large bear-like mammal with characteristic black-and-white markings, native to certain mountain forests in China. It feeds almost entirely on bamboo and has become increasingly rare.

from seadict.com
Part of your sentence

• A panda is a large bear-like mammal with characteristic black-and-white markings, native to certain mountain forests in China. It feeds almost entirely on bamboo and has become increasingly rare. – Seadict.com

• A panda is an animal that “feeds almost entirely on bamboo and has become increasingly rare” (Seadict.com, n.d.).
If we do a quick internet search for the word *panda* a suitable explanation quickly appears. “A panda is a large bear-like mammal with characteristic black-and-white markings, native to certain mountain forests in China” (Seadict.com, n.d.). Such definitions of animals are quite commonly found on the internet and are excellent sources for making materials for students.
As tabulated by Kuhn (1970:71) the results show...
Lyooob, Rossetti, and Chen (2013) noted:

Many software providers take advantage of these developing technologies to provide new cloud computing services or transform their existing products into the cloud. Since the term cloud could refer to any infrastructure, platform or software that serves for cloud computing, every component in the cloud may be provided as a service. (p. 34)

Cyber threats are not the only challenge to cloud computing:

While security has been a major topic of interest, reliability is a much bigger concern. Cloud computing is based on Internet access, so a fast and constant Internet connection is critical to cloud computing solutions. Therefore, it is imperative to ensure the enterprise’s connectivity to the Internet is well-established and that there are backup connections in case of connectivity failure. (Lyooob, Rossetti, & Chen, 2013, pp. 35-36)
Summary

• According to Furukawa (2015) English is often shown in Japanese television as a sign of being socially *chic*.

• No page number needed because the whole article is about this.
What does it mean to paraphrase?

• Putting what you read or hear into your own words.

• Read or listen to something, think about it, then restate it without using the same exact words.

• If you intend to use paraphrasing to make sure you understand something, try to paraphrase many things after you read them.
What are the barriers to paraphrasing?

- Don’t remember what was read or said
- Vocabulary too small
- Original definition is too well phrased or too well remembered
- Lack of confidence in word choices
Solving the barriers

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<td>Don’t remember what was read or said</td>
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Grammatical Options for Paraphrasing

1. Find synonyms
2. Make verb negative
3. Switch between active and passive voice
4. Change parts of speech
5. Combine sentences together
6. Move the parts around
Find Synonyms

• Use a thesaurus or a website like thesaurus.com

• Original: Previous research on the role of English in Japanese popular culture has shown that English is a powerful force for the expression of individual identity.

• Paraphrase: Preceding inquiries regarding the province of the English language in Japan’s pop culture discovered that English has a compelling impact relating to how people express themselves.
Change negative and positive verbs

• Original: While most other companies in Japan have not made such radical moves; it is obvious that for many people, a “native-like” English style is particularly valued (Matsuda 2003; Hiramoto 2013: 238).

• While most other companies in Japan have avoided making such radical moves; it is an unquestionable (not questionable) fact that for many people a “native like English style is particularly valued (Matsuda 2003; Hiramoto 2013: 238).
Switch between active and passive voice

• Original: Of course this does not mean that English, and particularly native-like English, is essential for every person in Japan.

• Of course this does not mean that every person in Japan thinks that English, or native-like English is essential.
Change parts of speech

• Original: As stylization research has shown, highly performative speech reveals much about the ideologies circulating in connection to the representations of speakers (Coupland 2001; Park 2009a).

• By researching styles other scholars have shown that when people speak in a way that seems like they are performing, they reveal much about the circulating ideologies that are connected to the way speakers represent themselves (Coupland 2001; Park 2009a).
Combine sentences together

- Original: In researching Stylized NSE in the Japanese context the ideology that is most frequent is native-speakerism (Holliday 2006) which is a form a linguicism (Skutnabb-Kangas 1988). Native-speakerism happens when the practices and policies of a country like Japan places so much value on NSE and its speakers.

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Move the parts around

• Original: My analysis of this Stylized NSE is accomplished through the framework of sociocultural linguistics (Bucholtz and Hall 2005: 586), which is particularly suited to both the data and the topic in that it is a broad and expanding interdisciplinary field that is concerned with the connections between language, culture, and society.

• I utilized the broad and expanding interdisciplinary framework of sociocultural linguistics (Bucholtz and Hall 2005: 586) to accomplish my analysis of this Stylized NSE, which both the data and topic particularly suited since it is concerned with the connections between society, language and culture.
Combine several techniques together for a good paraphrase

• Original: Research on Japanese television has thus far been focused on expanding the understanding of specific pragmatic features such as on the use of honorifics, discourse markers, and gendered language.

• Our knowledge of certain pragmatic features such as gendered speech, discourse markers and how honorifics are used has been furthered by researchers doing previous studies on television in Japan.
Paraphrase exercise

• My research shows that the most popular subject for junior high school students is math.
  – Jake Tyler (2017)
Paraphrase exercise
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• Chefs usually don't need vegetable peelers or slicers if there is a sharp knife in the kitchen.
  — Kim Swann (2014)
Paraphrase exercise
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• When John Donne wrote "no man is an island," I believe he meant that everyone needs others for help.
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• Although previous research said that Spanish is the most important second language in the United States (Silver, 1998), the results of my study indicate that learning German is more valuable today.
  – Jackie Forez (2013)
Paraphrase exercise
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• Based on the findings in my research, I suggest that the best diet for people over 45 involves eating donuts and drinking chocolate milk twice a day.
  – Michael Conner (2019)
Paraphrase exercise
Paraphrase exercise

• Cities with a population of more than two million people have been shown to be ideal places for young professionals to begin their careers.
  – Ethan Jones (2017)

• Rural areas are ideal for young men and women who want to start families because of the open spaces and cleaner environment.
Paraphrase exercise

• The teachers who were interviewed in my study say that students do better in school when they have fewer than two hours of homework per week.
  – Natalie Westen (2018)

• In my observations of the classes at Riverside Elementary School, I noted that students seemed happier and healthier after the school created their no-homework policy.
  – Lisa Penske (2013)
Paraphrase exercise

• In the interviews, most of the eight-year old children said they had trouble sleeping at night because they watched TV for most of the time when they were at home, while many of the seven-year old children said that they couldn't get to sleep when they wanted to, but couldn't say why they had trouble sleeping.

— Josh White (2010)
Paraphrase exercise

• The amount of calories that a person can consume without gaining weight depends on a number of factors, including physical activity, stress level, and family history, but recent studies have shown that the amount of time that a person spends at work while sitting has one of the greatest influences on diet that has been researched up until now.

— Janie Hawk (2018)
Paraphrase exercise

• If lessons-learned practices are primarily focused on troubled projects, then the resulting improvements in the form of new organizational routines may become distorted, overemphasizing practices that avoid risk and tighten controls in order to prevent such failures from reoccurring. The resulting routines may shackle future project teams with burdensome processes that limit their innovative potential. **While avoiding failures is a cornerstone of lessons learned practices, replicating successes should be of equal priority.**

• According to the PMO literature, projects often focus on "red light" learning or learning from problems, which may inhibit learning from successes (Julian 2008).
Paraphrase exercise

• Using computer simulation models, the CO2 integrated system is compared with other alternatives of energy systems in supermarkets; it is shown that the system consumes about 11% less electricity than stand-alone conventional HFC solutions for refrigeration (i.e. indirect HFC), heating and AC in north of Europe.

• They concluded that this system has higher COP than HFC-based systems for outdoor temperatures lower than 24°C. Considering annual operation, it was able to reduce 11% the electricity consumption in relation to HFC-based systems in the North of Europe (Karampour and Sawalha, 2017).
Paraphrase exercise

• The survey results indicated that children under fourteen years of age believe that playing video games is important to their development.
  — Johnathan Crawford (2009)

• Elementary school students who were interviewed for this study say that playing video games is better than eating vegetables.
  — Andrea Green (2011)

• The fifth-grade class didn't like the reading activities in the morning, telling the teacher that they preferred to play video games all day.
  — Charlotte Davis (2016)
Paraphrase exercise

• When we tested the truck against the sports car on the flat racetrack, we found that the sports car performs better and faster than did the truck.
  — Leah Jenkins (2013)

• The truck seems to perform worse than the other cars when they were driven on the highway.

• On city streets, the truck was far slower than the sports car or the sedan.
  — Vance Rivers (2016)