

Paraphrasing in NoodleTools

Paraphrase	
Paraphrase is accurate.	Capture the author's entire idea and point of view in your own words.
Paraphrase is complete	<p>Restate the author's ideas and purpose including the author's unique language only if it is in quotes.</p> <p>By abbreviating the author's ideas in your own words, you clarify the author's meaning for yourself and create the basis for writing without plagiarizing.</p> <p>Reread the author's words:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Highlight the main idea if it is stated - Highlight clues to the main idea if it is implied - Color-code important details - Strikethrough unimportant details, unnecessary background and extra words <p>Now, in your paraphrase:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Highlight your statement of the main idea - If it is missing, explain the main idea to yourself and then write it - Color-code your use of important details - Put quotes around your use of the author's words - Group details and consider substituting a general term - Keep important evidence that elaborates on the main idea
Paraphrase should be your words; should not the author's words or phrases	<p>Highlight the author's words in your paraphrase.</p> <p>Replace them with synonyms.</p> <p>If you don't understand a word, look it up in a dictionary.</p> <p>If you can't think of a good synonym, use a thesaurus.</p>
Paraphrase should be different from the author's sentence structure	<p>Try rearranging elements of the sentence in a different order.</p> <p>Try combining multiple thoughts into a broader idea in a single sentence.</p> <p>If you are still unsatisfied with the result, tag it with the visual cue "need help."</p>
Paraphrase should capture the author's focus	<p>Reread the author's words.</p> <p>Does your paraphrase retain the author's emphasis and point of view?</p>