

What is paraphrasing?

 Presenting the information you read in your own words.

 Paraphrasing is not simply taking what someone has written and changing a few words to make it your own. It is about translating another person's ideas into your own words and in reduced form.

Examples:

- Original: Zebras like leaves and hay, and they can consume seventy-five pounds of food a day.
- Paraphrase: A zebra can eat up to seventy-five pounds of leaves and hay everyday.
- Original: Today we will continue 12 Angry Men and look for logical fallacies throughout the play.
- Paraphrase: As we read 12 Angry Men during class, we will identify the logical fallacies.

You try!

Paraphrase each of the sentences below:

- Every year, thousands of tourists visit Yellowstone National Park.
- He needs to throw out a lot of things that he doesn't use anymore.
- I am going to wake up early and go shopping for milk, bread, and cereal.
- When I tried to print my essay, my printer broke.