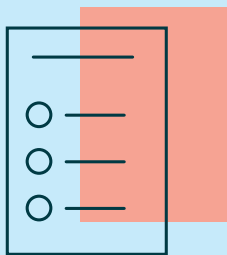


## Paraphrasing

# Teaching academic integrity



### Paraphrasing in the classroom

Paraphrasing, or the rewording of a piece of writing while still keeping the original meaning intact, is taught as a strategy for integrating sources into writing.

In order to paraphrase, students must gather their understanding of a passage, write it in their own words, and include a citation to credit the original author. Paraphrasing ideas from other sources asks students to think critically about their reading and draw inferences in order to interpret the main idea of a passage.

Effective paraphrasing can strengthen writing and add credibility to essays, thus improving students' abilities to dynamically incorporate evidence into their writing.

### Paraphrasing and academic integrity

#### How is paraphrasing connected to academic integrity?

Accurately paraphrasing and citing sources helps students avoid plagiarism. Instead of copying text from a source, paraphrasing allows students to ethically share and incorporate ideas from other sources into their writing.

## Paraphrasing

- ✓ strengthens writing by presenting evidence
- ✓ adds credibility by citing work from other authors
- ✓ shows that the writer understands the material
- ✓ helps students avoid plagiarism

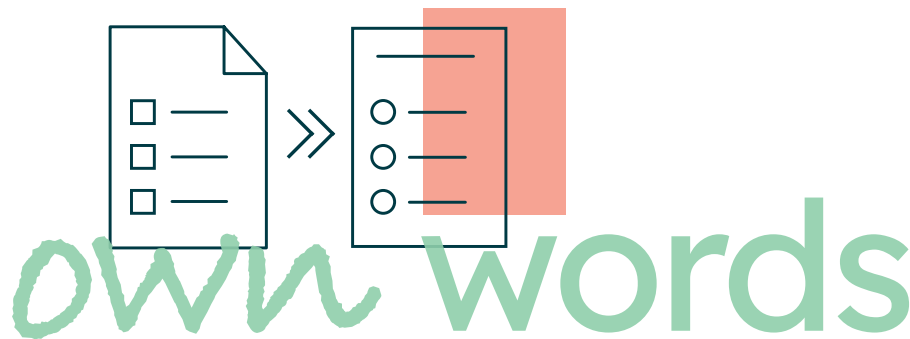
## Supports literacy standards

Paraphrasing is recognized as a necessary research and writing skill in many frameworks, such as in the Common Core State Standards. Quoting, paraphrasing, and citing sources are acknowledged as skills used to avoid plagiarism in writing.

### Example Standard:

#### **CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.8**

Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.



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