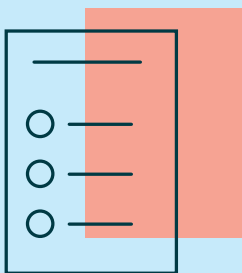


Paraphrasing

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 ISTE standards

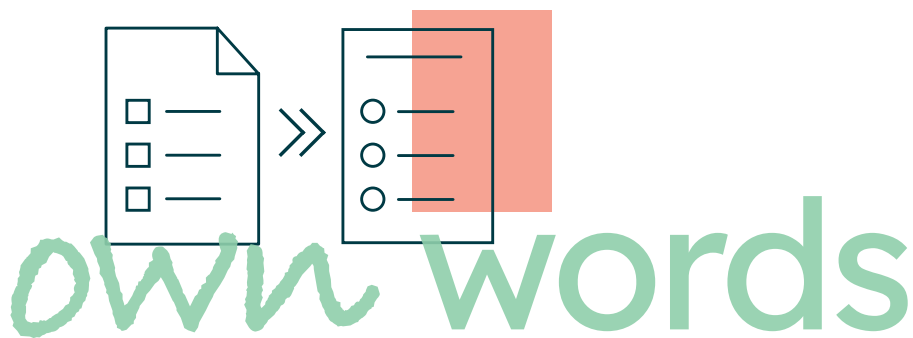
Paraphrasing is recognised as a necessary research and writing skill in many frameworks, such as in the International Society for Technology in Education standards. Quoting, paraphrasing and citing sources are acknowledged as skills used to avoid plagiarism in writing.

Example standard:

1.2 Digital Citizen

Students recognise the rights, responsibilities and opportunities of living, learning and working in an interconnected digital world and they act and model in ways that are safe, legal and ethical.

1.2.c Students demonstrate an understanding of and respect for the rights and obligations of using and sharing intellectual property.



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