### LESSON 2: SMART PARAPHRASING TECHNIQUES

Lesson

Lesson Objectives

Learn

Learn practical techniques for paraphrasing.

Apply

Apply them step by step.

Practice

Practice rewriting sentences with correct meaning.



### OVERVIEW OF PARAPHRASING TECHNIQUES

Synonyms

Changing word form

Changing word order

Using active/passive

Combining or splitting sentences

Using templates / signaling phrases



# TECHNIQUE 1 - USING SYNONYMS



Replace words with correct synonyms.



Example: important → essential; children → youngsters



Be careful: "big problem" ≠ "serious problem."



### TECHNIQUE 2-CHANGING WORD FORMS



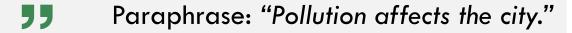
Noun  $\leftrightarrow$  Verb, Adjective  $\leftrightarrow$  Adverb.



**Example:** 



Original: "The city is polluted."





## TECHNIQUE 3: CHANGING WORD ORDER



Rearrange sentence structure.



**Example:** 



Original: "People believe technology improves communication."



Paraphrase: "Technology is believed to improve communication."



#### 5: TECHNIQUE 4: ACTIVE ←→ PASSIVE



Example:



Active: "Governments provide healthcare for citizens."



Passive: "Healthcare is provided to citizens by governments."



### TECHNIQUE 5: COMBINING OR SPLITTING SENTENCES

Original: "Many students study hard. They want to pass exams."

Paraphrase: "Many students study hard because they want to succeed in exams."



### TECHNIQUE 6: USING TEMPLATES / PHRASES



Paraphrase: "It is widely believed that climate change poses a serious threat."



#### STUDENT ACTIVITY

Choose one of these sentences and paraphrase it using two techniques:

"Children should help with housework."

"Sports are important for health."

