

## Peer Learning Essay Planning Workshop: Quoting, Paraphrasing and Summarising Handout

### Activity 1

Read the following paragraph and then identify which of the examples is paraphrasing, which is summarising and which is quoting.

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*In part, the dire consequences of closure in the context of regional economic decline help to account for the decision of the Tower Colliery workers to fight to preserve their jobs and incomes. Thus a campaign was started by the National Union of Mineworkers (NUM) lodge members at Tower to purchase the coal mine. This involved organizing an employee buyout bid in order to establish Tower Colliery as a worker's cooperative.*

(Taken from: Arteni, M. (2012) *Alternative Work Organizations* Basingstoke: Palgrave.)

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### Example 1:

The worker buyout of Tower Colliery was partially driven by 'the dire consequences of closure in the context of regional economic decline' (Arteni, 2012. pp. 51).

Is this example

- a) Paraphrasing
- b) Summarising
- c) Quoting

### Example 2:

Arteni (2012) highlights examples where worker buyouts have been driven by local economic factors.

Is this example

- a) Paraphrasing
- b) Summarising
- c) Quoting

### Example 3:

Worker buyouts can be partially driven by local economic factors. For example, the Tower Colliery buyout was driven by union members who formed a workers cooperative in response to the consequences that closure would have on their income (Arteni, 2012).

Is this example

- a) Paraphrasing
- b) Summarising
- c) Quoting

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### Activity 2

Read the following paragraph and consider which out of Jo's and Sandra's paraphrase is best.

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*Governments have interests in companies for a variety of reasons. Firms provide the economic basis of the society and are both nourished and regulated by government with the intent of keeping the economy healthy enough to sustain the society and, of course, the government. Government may attempt to control the harms of business activity to other members of society. In some societies, government runs the economy via central planning mechanisms and state ownership of enterprise. The role of government is so important, in fact, that we have already devoted chapter 3 to it.*

[\(Wartick and Wood, 1998\)](#)

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#### **Jo's paraphrase:**

Wartick and Wood (1998:103) point out that governments can have a wide range of interests in companies, from supporting them in order to help the economy, to regulating them in order to stop them harming the rest of society.

#### **Sandra's paraphrase:**

According to Wartick and Wood (1998), governments have interests for a variety of reasons. They are both nourished and regulated by government, in order to keep the economy healthy enough to sustain the society. On the other hand, the government may also attempt to control the harms of business activity to others in society. In some countries there is a centralised economy, which the government runs.

#### **References**

**Wartick, S. and Wood, D.J. (1998) *International Business and Society*, p. 103. Oxford: Blackwell.**

### Activity 3

What helped you to decide which of the two paragraphs contained the better paraphrase? From the list provided on the screen identify what the writer of the better paraphrase does.

Your thoughts...