

Notes from 11/29 class meeting

Paraphrase

Same idea, same length, different words. Always give the page number, just like a direct quotation.

Summary

Same idea, much shorter length, different words. May include brief quotations. No page number needed, but make it clear when you start and stop summarizing.

Argument summary:

An argument has the following components:

Premises (Assumptions, things you begin with, rather than re-creating the wheel)

Inferences (The logical deductions and intellectual guesswork that follow from the assumptions or from each other.)

Conclusions (Insights, big ideas that result from the argument.)

To do an argument summary, selectively (emphasize the ideas you're going to work with), review Rosenthal's premises (those most essential to his argument, or those you're going to refute), inferences (major components plus those you're going to work with), and conclusions.

Direct quotation

Actual words as they were written or said by the source, including punctuation. But you can edit the quotation using ellipses to show removed material (...) and square brackets to show added material []. You can edit a quotation ONLY to clarify the meaning and to make the grammar work within your sentence—never to change the meaning of the quotation. Always give the page number.