

## Class Notes and Homework

English 105i, Day #13:

Write. Rewrite. When not writing or rewriting, read. I know of no shortcuts."

—Larry L. King

1. Attendance
2. Link [HERE](#) to Elizabeth's presentation on writing your own research statements for your resumes:
3. **Remaining Sunday Sessions: Union 2420, 7-8pm.**

Mar 23	LinkedIn	Vraj Parikh
Mar 30	"About Me"	Michelle Reif + Akhil Pramod

### 4. How are your websites going?

5. **Discussion #1:** Once you're good at using [Google Scholar](#), [JSTORE](#), [EBSCO](#), you'll have to turn your citations into **signal phrases**: Be SURE you have an "intro concept" before moving forward or you might end up wasting all your time on a BS story.

Here are the steps...

Turning **citations** into complete sentences w/signal phrases, **X/Y variables**, short paraphrases, transition words, analyses, and implication.

Example: This citation is an old example from earlier this semester. Let's see if it makes more sense now.

**Original Quote:** This study has found evidence of a **gateway from marijuana** to cocaine that takes place at later ages than were previously thought relevant. Structural estimates accounting for unobserved heterogeneity that affects both marijuana and cocaine demand indicate that past marijuana use increases the probability of current cocaine use by twenty-nine percentage points. This effect **is nearly three times as large** as the one-in-ten increase that Kleiman cites as warranting a considerable expansion in efforts to control marijuana use. To put the magnitude of this result in perspective, preventing past marijuana use decreases the likelihood of cocaine initiation by an amount that is almost thirteen times greater than that brought about by a doubling of the average cocaine price, which any feasible enforcement effort is unlikely to accomplish [Kleiman, 1992].

**Citation:**

DeSimone, J. (1998). Is marijuana a gateway drug? *Eastern Economic Journal*, 24(2), 149-164.

## Turn this quote into a signal-phrased sentence:

- a. Transition words
- b. Signal phrase
- c. Summary/NOT paraphrase nor synthesization of citation
- d. Two-word quotes
- e. Analysis
- f. Implication of analyses

**Example:** Thereby, consistent with DeSimone's assertion, the demonization of marijuana as a "gateway" drug (160) is "three [fold]" under-reported and therefore even more dangerous than originally cited.

#### Questions:

- Is this a "well-written" and academic sentence?
- Where is all the plagiarism?
- Where are all the logical fallacies?
- How many FAKE stats, non-sequitur, captain obvious, need for big crunch, syntax issues, etc.?

Students, at the board. Turn this citation, in groups of 3, into a signal-phrased sentence. Pick the class you're in and find your own X/Y for that discrete setting. LOTS of options below.

Solo reproduction via IVG will be an extreme case of inbreeding—the equivalent of identical twins conceiving with each other. IVG for solo reproduction will be different from cloning, as the assortment of alleles at meiosis increases the chance that deleterious heterozygous mutations are brought to homozygosity in the offspring.<sup>72</sup> It has been estimated that each human carries one or two genetic mutations. If two copies of the same genetic mutation are inherited, this can lead to severe genetic disease or prenatal death.<sup>73</sup> If the same individual were producing gametes (non-IVD or IVD gametes) for solo genetic reproduction, there would be a 25% chance that the resulting child would inherit two copies of these one or two genetic mutations (i.e., they would be homozygous for these genetic mutations)

Notini, L., Gyngell, C., & Savulescu, J. (2020). Drawing the line on in vitro gametogenesis. *Bioethics*, 34(1), 123-134.

**Potential issue:** Do we want EVERY sentence to sound the same syntactically?

**Next Step:** Create Syntax changes b/t successive sentence (See Below) WHY?

#### Original Example:

Thereby, consistent with DeSimone's assertion, the demonization of marijuana as a "gateway" drug (160) is "three [fold]" under-reported and therefore even more dangerous than originally cited.

#### New Syntax Example:

The demonization of marijuana as a "gateway" drug (160), while "three [fold]" under-reported, proves even more dangerous than originally cited by DeSimone.

\*Does this syntactic change alter the syntactic PEMDAS of logic? Who would have understood this question 6 weeks ago?

A few points to remember:

**Chunking down big quotes:**

\*The key to chunking down big quotes into A+ academic sentences is to find ONLY the key terms that represent the X & Y of the citation -- followed by the writer's (i.e., YOUR) analyses/implications. This combines the quote's key variables and researcher's results (i.e., the HOW/ the causation) with your own thinking. Why is this all you really need to cite?

**Understanding the reading:**

Your Wikipedia pre-reading will really pay off to find these 2 elements QUICKLY. That is, with a clear understanding of your nomenclature list, you easily recognize the meanings of the nomenclature in the citation.

**Putting quotes into your own words:**

The key to putting quotes into your own words is to avoid **passivity** with writing and to do your own thinking by doing the ANALYSES (and then naming the direct implications) of the citation! This is also **your next step in actually LEARNING something!** This won't work unless **YOU think ACTIVELY!** For HW, I'll ask you to read this **Link HERE:** to better understand how to handle what you read and avoid plagiarism.

Class work: Alone or in Groups

**Class time work:** Turn your first citation from your paper into this structured academic signal-phrased sentence. Students' put examples at the board.

Homework: VERY sorry but hard!!

- **Part #1:** BEFORE turning your citations into signal phrased sentences, READ [this](#) chunked-down excerpt from one of my book chapters – it will teach you how to **paraphrase**, **summarize**, **quote**, and **synthesize** your citations from HW -- so you don't get busted for **plagiarism when you turn your citations into your own words**. **Link HERE:** Read this chapter excerpt SUPER SUPER SLOWLY!!!

**Part #2:** In ONE sitting, turn your first 5 pages of your roadmap into signal phrased sentence. Be sure each successive sentence has a new syntax.

**Old Student Examples:** Ask your peer mentors to look at their HW from their semester. Also, here is another example: [http://www.bradleyhammer.com/105i/lit\\_review\\_roadmap\\_examples/example1.pdf](http://www.bradleyhammer.com/105i/lit_review_roadmap_examples/example1.pdf)

1. Do **NOT** “prettify” the sentence – that’s too many steps at once. Just follow the basic format and we’ll make the sentences smart and pretty next week with **12 new steps**.
2. Like the example, color CODE each part of your new sentence to match my example or choose your own colors and add a KEY.
3. **Reminder:** Call your peer mentor and ask to see their old version of this HW and to help you on the first page.