

## Acceptable and Unacceptable Paraphrasing

### 1. *Original Sentence*

Language is the main means of communication between peoples.

### *Unacceptable Paraphrase*

Language is the principal means of communication between peoples.

### *Acceptable Sentence*

Humans communicate through language.

### 2. *Original Sentence*

But so many different languages have developed that language has often been a barrier rather than an aid to understanding among peoples.

### *Unacceptable Paraphrase*

However, because there are numerous languages, language itself has frequently been a barrier rather than an aid to understanding among the world population.

### *Acceptable Sentence*

However, because there are so many languages in the world, language is an obstacle instead of an aid to communication.

### 3. *Original Sentence*

For many years, people have dreamed of setting up an international, universal language which all people could speak and understand.

### *Unacceptable Paraphrase*

For many years, people have envisioned a common universal language that everyone in the world could understand.

### *Acceptable Sentence*

For a long time, people have wished for an international language that speakers all over the world could communicate in.