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How would you define it?



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Claiming other people's ideas as your own without giving credit.



How can you avoid it?

⇒ You must give credit whenever you use

- another person's idea, opinion, or theory;
- any facts, statistics, graphs, drawings--any pieces of information--that are not common knowledge;
- quotations of another person's actual spoken or written words; or
- an image (picture) that you did not create



My sources

- ⇒ <http://www.indiana.edu/~wts/wts/plagiarism.html>, produced by Writing Tutorial Services, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
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Here's the ORIGINAL text, from page 1 of *Lizzie Borden: A Case Book of Family and Crime*

- ➔ The rise of industry, the growth of cities, and the expansion of the population were the three great developments of late nineteenth century American history. As new, larger, steam-powered factories became a feature of the American landscape in the East, they transformed farm hands into industrial laborers, and provided jobs for a rising tide of immigrants. With industry came urbanization the growth of large cities (like Fall River, Massachusetts, where the Bordens lived) which became the centers of production as well as of commerce and trade.



Here's an UNACCEPTABLE paraphrase that is plagiarism:
(bold words = changes)

- ➔ The **increase** of industry, the growth of cities, and the explosion of the population were three **large factors** of nineteenth century America. As steam-driven **companies** became **more visible** in the eastern part of the country, they **changed** farm hands into **factory workers** and provided jobs for the **large wave** of immigrants. With industry came the growth of large cities like Fall River where the Bordens lived which turned into centers of commerce and trade as well as production.



Compare

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Think about your research

- ⇒ Does this look familiar?
- ⇒ Change a few big words, leave out some extra information and switch some words around?



Why is this plagiarism?

- ➔ The preceding passage is considered plagiarism for two reasons:
 - the writer has only changed around a few words and phrases, or changed the order of the original's sentences.
 - the writer has failed to cite a source for any of the ideas or facts.



Better Paraphrase

- ➔ Fall River, where the Borden family lived, was typical of northeastern industrial cities of the nineteenth century. As steam-powered production shifted labor from agriculture to manufacturing, the demand for workers "transformed farm hands into factory workers," and created jobs for immigrants. In turn, growing populations increased the size of urban areas. Fall River was one of these manufacturing hubs that were also "centers of commerce and trade" (Williams 1)



Why is this acceptable?

- records the information in the original passage accurately.
- gives credit for the ideas in this passage.
- indicated which part is taken directly from her source by putting the passage in quotation marks and citing the page number.



Note that if the writer had used these phrases or sentences in her own paper without putting quotation marks around them, she would be **PLAGIARIZING**.

Using another person's phrases or sentences without putting quotation marks around them is considered plagiarism.



Let's practice - paraphrase

- ➔ Anthrax bacteria are found in many types of soil, all over the world, and usually do not pose a problem for humans because the spores stay in the ground. In order to infect a human, the spores have to be released from the soil and must enter the body. They can enter the body through a cut in the skin, through consuming contaminated meat, or through inhaling the spores. Once the spores are in the body, and if antibiotics are not administered, the spores become bacteria that multiply and release a toxin that affects the immune system. In the inhaled form of the infection, the immune system can become overwhelmed and the body can go into shock.



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- ➔ **HIDEOUT:** Anthrax can usually be found hiding out in the soil, all over the world. He normally is harmless, but if he escapes into the outside world, he can cause trouble.



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- ➔ M.O. - Anthrax, unlike most criminals, has many M.O.'s. It can sneak in through your skin (a cut), through your stomach (if you eat contaminated meat), or through your lungs (by breathing it in).



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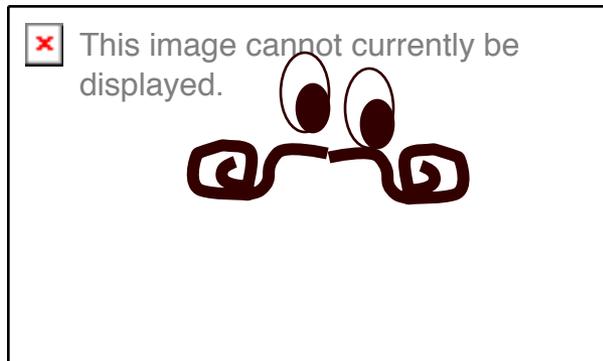


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- ➔ **WEAPONS AGAINST CRIMINAL: Your only chance to fight this criminal is by using antibiotics. And you'd better do it fast because anthrax (especially when inhaled) produces toxins (poisons) that can quickly put your immune system into shock.**

Picture

Bacillus anthracis



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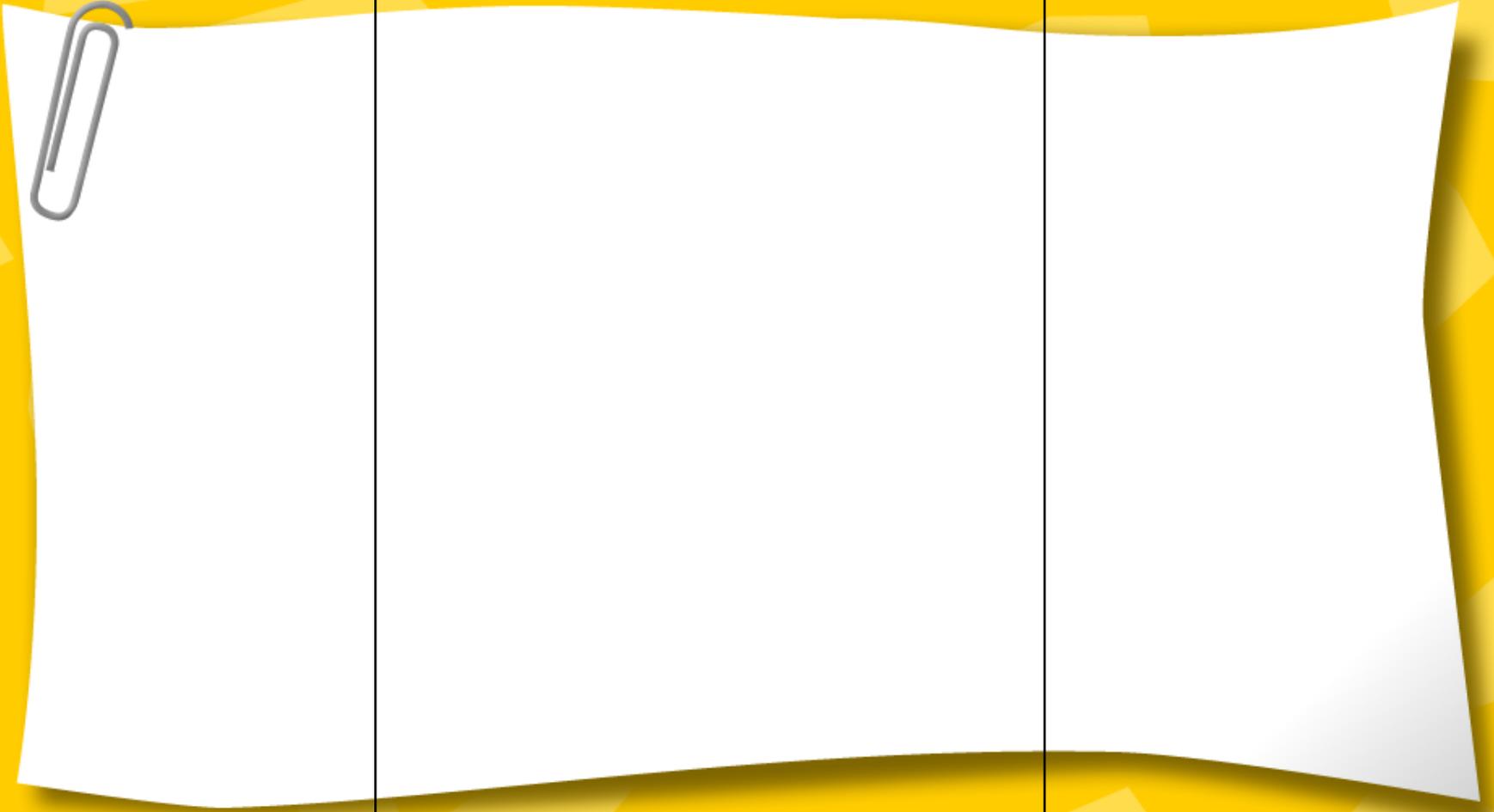
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