

Book Talk (Paraphrasing)

YOUR NAME:	

Use the paraphrasing strategy sheet to create an outline that guides you as you write a brief (half-page to one-page) talk about your book (copy the attached sheet as needed). Your book talk should include the main ideas and details you identified from **each chapter** of your book written in your own words. Identify readers who might enjoy the text and why it would appeal to them. Below your book talk, DISSECT at least 10 difficult words you encountered while reading. Next to each word, include the page number from the book where the word was found.

You MUST turn in all three parts: paraphrasing strategy sheets, book talk, and dissected words PLUS THIS SHEET.

RUBRIC	I'm not there yet (1 pt.)	I'm getting there (3 pts.)	I'm there now (5 pts.)
Information about	My response lacks specific	My response includes some	My response includes enough
the book	information from each chapter in	information about the book.	detailed information about
	the book. My reader will not	However, my reader will need	the book to help my reader
	have enough information to	more information to decide	decide about reading it.
	decide about reading it.	about reading it.	
Reasoning	I need to add reasons to explain	I include okay reasons for my	I present detailed reasons for
	my response.	response.	my response.
Spelling, grammar	I did not check my work and	I checked my work but I	I completely checked my
and punctuation	there are many spelling,	missed a few spelling,	work and it is well written
	grammar, and/or punctuation	grammar, and/or punctuation	with no errors in spelling,
	errors.	errors.	grammar, or punctuation.
Neatness and effort	I did not put forth my best effort	My book talk is fairly readable	My book talk is neat and it is
	so my book talk is not the best it	but the neatness and effort	easy to read.
	can be.	does not show my best work.	
Completeness of	My book talk includes few of the	My book talk includes less	My book talk includes all of
information	items in the directions.	than half of the items in the	the items in the directions.
		directions.	

Student example for reference only:

Book Title: *Death Benefits* Author: Sarah N. Harvey

This work of fiction is about a young man named Royce. He recently has gone through some major changes. His mom has dragged him across the county so that they could live closer to his grandpa. The grandfather, Arthur, is a famous retired cello player. Unfortunately, he is a very grumpy man who watches TV, eats ice cream, drinks coffee and sleeps all day. When Royce's mom doesn't know what to do with Arthur, Royce volunteers to take care of him for pay. Royce faces major conflicts everyday dealing with Arthur. He gets Arthur coffee, ice cream and deals with Arthur's grumpy attitude. Royce also faces conflict with himself—his shyness. He meets a girl and he is unsure how to express his feelings. In addition, Grandpa has a stroke. In fact, Arthur has several strokes and Royce must help him cope. They come to write a book about the famous cello player.

I think this book would be enjoyable to people who are interested in believable relationships. Readers who are dealing with a similar situation or have people in their lives who are grumpy would probably enjoy the book. It might appeal to them if they want to see how another person of possibly the same age deals with the situation.

PARAPHRASING STRATEGY SHEET

Chapter #	Step	Response
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