

## Writing Exercise - paraphrasing

### Topic: Smoking

Time: 60 minutes

Level: \*\*\*\*\*[B1/B2/C1]

### Lesson Plan

Aim: to develop the students' ability to write a paragraph using a range of quotes to create a cohesive piece of writing. This type of exercise practises paraphrasing and linking devices.

#### 1. Lead in

- Ask Students to discuss 'Should smoking be banned completely in public?'
- Write down 'the positives and negatives'
- Feed in / check key vocabulary (see next page)

**Supported Writing #1:** [give out handout of quotes - writing exercise 1] - tell students to read the quotes (check any unknown vocabulary) and choose **three key quotes** to put in a paragraph.

Depending on level you can support in a variety of ways:

- Give students the topic sentence 'The adverse effects [redacted] can [redacted] the economy' [worksheet 2]
- Students use quotes and don't paraphrase.
- Students paraphrase only one sentence and use the others as quotes.
- Teacher monitors and guides throughout

Give 30 minutes to write a paragraph. Feedback by sharing with peer or hand in to teacher for marking [Use marking code: [www.academic-englishuk.com/error-correction](http://www.academic-englishuk.com/error-correction) ]

Give out model answer.

**Not supported Writing #2:** [give out handout of quotes - writing exercise 1] - tell students to read the quotes (check any unknown vocabulary) and choose three key quotes to put in a paragraph. Give 30 minutes. Feedback by sharing or hand in to teacher [Use marking code: [www.academic-englishuk.com/error-correction](http://www.academic-englishuk.com/error-correction) ]. Give out model answer.

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## **Banning Smoking - writing exercise 1**

*Choose 3 of these sources and write a paragraph (approx 120-180 words) on the problems of implementing a public smoking ban. Use correct in-text citation and suitable paraphrasing.*

- 1) 'A ban is discriminative towards smokers, it would be against the European Convention on human rights and would also be against peoples' freedom of choice' (Smith, 2015).
- 2) 'Industry self-regulation [redacted] advertising, limiting packaging branding and raising the age of smoking' (Jones, 2014).
- 3) '[redacted] ill health is unproven. There have been many studies that have been inconclusive in [redacted] dangerous' (Peterson et al., 2013).
- 4) 'A public smoking ban will damage [redacted] will be [redacted] many businesses to go into bankruptcy' (Wilson, 2015).
- 5) '[redacted]. The loss of tax from cigarettes is estimated to be £ [redacted]
- 6) 'There is no evidence [redacted] in huge numbers if [redacted] (BBC news, 2016).
- 7) 'Opponents of the legislation [redacted], and [redacted] of second-hand smoke' (The New Scientist, 2015).
- 8) 'A ban would [redacted] (e-cigarettes), which are a relatively new product [redacted] (Jones et al., 2016)



## Example Answer text:

The adverse effects of a public smoking ban can cause a number of serious implications to smokers and the economy. The most important is ...

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