Academic Writing

Paragraph Writing: Quotations

Artificial Intelligence

EXAMPLE

Writing Exercise: Paraphrasing EXAMPLE

Topic: A.I

Task 1: Introduction

Do some research and take some notes on the following:

1. How is A.I changing the future of work?
2. Write down the positives and negatives of using AI in employment (you can do some internet research here).
3. Decide where you stand. Are you for or against A.I being used in the future of work? Why?

Put your notes here:

Task 2: Quotations **EXAMPLE**

Read through these ten quotations and choose three quotations to answer the question:

'The benefits of AI on the future of work far outweigh the negatives'.

1.*'One of the foremost benefits of AI is its ability to automate tasks that were once time-consuming and labour-intensive. AI-powered automation is becoming increasingly sophisticated, enabling businesses to streamline operations, cut costs, and allocate resources more efficiently'* (HBR, 2022).

2.*'Increased automation brought about by AI has the potential to ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ automated. It ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ roughly 15% of workers, or 400 million people, worldwide by 2030'* (McKinsey Study, 2018).

3. *▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ that ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ will readjust and allow all of us more leisure time. It will become normal for people to work a shorter working day ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ (Newkey-Burden, 2023).*

4.*'AI ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ large amounts of personal data, raising issues related to data privacy and security. In addition, AI can be ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ if the data is ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ unexpected or even malicious outcomes'* (MAR, 2023).

5. *'AI-driven language translation tools ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ down ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ from ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ connect and collaborate seamlessly. Real-time translation apps are benefiting global communication and ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓. (Medium, 2023).*

6.*'AI notoriously fails in capturing or responding to intangible ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ and ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ considerations that guide the course of business, life, and society at large'* (HBR, 2022).

7. *'New ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓. Reskilling ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ employment practice creating numerous opportunities working in AI such as machine learning ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓* (McKinsey Study, 2018).

8.*'The concentration of AI development and ownership ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ as they accumulate wealth and power while smaller businesses struggle to compete'* (MAR, 2023).

9. *'Customer service has evolved significantly thanks ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ These ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ troubleshoot problems, and provide real-time assistance, enhancing the overall customer experience'* (Medium, 2023).

10. *'AI ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ amplify societal biases due to biased training data or algorithmic design. In addition, increasing reliance on ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ could lead to ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ human connections'* (Mar, 2023).

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Task 3: Paragraph writing **EXAMPLE**

Write a paragraph (approx. 120-180 words) **on the title '**████████████████████████
████████████████**'. Use Harvard in-text citations and appropriate paraphrasing.**

'The ███████████████████████ *negatives'.*

Word Count: _____

Task 4: Review / Editing EXAMPLE
Use this table to check your paragraph

Paragraph Review Form
Includes links to information pages on specific writing conventions

	Yes	No
Do you have a clear topic sentence? Go here: topic sentences		
Is ▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨ (your stance?)		
Are your ideas ▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨ (quotations)? Go here: examples		
Have you used three quotes in the paragraph?		
Have ▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨ effectively? Go here: paraphrasing		
Have you ▨▨▨▨▨ sources effectively (▨▨▨▨▨▨▨)? Go here: synthesis		
Have you used a range of ▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨? Go here: reporting verbs		
Is the ▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨ (name + date)? Go here: Harvard referencing		
Are there ▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨▨ (in addition, furthermore, however, in contrast, etc..). Go here: cohesion		
Have you followed the ▨▨▨▨▨▨▨? Go here: academic style		
Is there a ▨▨▨▨▨▨ sentence?		
Is the paragraph the correct word count (120 -180 words)?		

Task 5: Paragraph Writing Tutorial (optional) EXAMPLE
Copy and paste your paragraph into the form on the lesson webpage and submit.

Your paragraph will be checked by academic tutors. We will look at task, grammar, vocabulary, cohesion, referencing and coherence. We will give you valuable feedback to improve your writing skills quickly. It will take approximately 1-2 days to return the paragraph back to you. This service costs £20 (see lesson webpage for details).

Task 6: Sample Paragraph EXAMPLE
Check your paragraph to this sample answer.

Sample Answer

The benefits of AI on the future of work far outweigh the disadvantages through two key areas: automation and job creation. The most important ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ of ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓. According to HBR (2022), AI ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ everyday repetitive tasks ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ to faster decision making and increased ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ Chatbots and virtual assistants are a ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ routine ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ providing better ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ and freeing up staff for ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ work (Medium, 2023). AI also brings ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ in ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓, as shown in the McKinsey Report (2018), which emphasises that ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ employment ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ like machine learning engineers, ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ and cyber ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓. Overall, although AI may ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓, it offers ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓. The automation of ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ and the demand for ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ future of work.

174 Words

Task 7: Sample Paragraph Questions EXAMPLE
Answer these questions about the sample paragraph above.

1) Is there a topic sentence? What is the topic? What is/are the controlling ideas?

2) Is there a main argument?

3) Which ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓?

4) Is it logical and clear? How has the paragraph been organised?

5) Is there ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓?

6) Is there a concluding sentence? What is concluded?

7) How are ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ incorporated?

Task 8: Sample Paragraph Answers **EXAMPLE**

Check your responses to these answers.

1) Is there a topic sentence? What is the topic? What is/are the controlling ideas?
Yes. Topic: AI on the future of work. Controlling ideas: automation and job creation.

ALL ANSWERS INCLUDED IN PAID VERSION...