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No Plagiarism

Plagiarism is the act of using someone else's work, ideas, or words and presenting them as your own, whether intentionally or accidentally. Plagiarism is considered unethical and can have serious consequences in academic and professional settings.

How to Avoid Plagiarism:

- **Quoting:** If you directly copy the words from a source, you must put them in quotation marks and provide a proper citation.
- **Paraphrasing:** If you rewrite ideas from a source in your own words, you do not need quotation marks, but you must still cite the original source to give credit to the author.
- **Summarizing:** When summarizing, you condense the main ideas of a source into your own words and still provide a citation.
- **Citing Sources:** Always give credit to the original author, whether you quote, paraphrase, or summarize. Use standard citation formats such as MLA, APA, or Chicago Style.

Sarah has been researching endangered animals. She's written some sentences and is unsure if she plagiarized.

Your task is as follows:

- 1. Read the original source and Sarah's writing.**
- 2. Decide if Sarah has plagiarized.**
- 3. Circle Evidence of Plagiarism.**

Original Source 1:

National Geographic. "Endangered Species Report." Published

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on NationalGeographic.com, 2021.

"The giant panda, native to China, is classified as vulnerable due to habitat loss and climate change. Conservation efforts have helped stabilize its population over the years."

Sarah's Writing 1:

The giant panda, native to China, is vulnerable because of habitat loss and climate change. Conservation efforts have helped stabilize its population in recent years.

Conclusion: _____

Explanation: _____

Original Source 2:

National Geographic. "Endangered Species Report." Published on NationalGeographic.com, 2021."Sea turtles face numerous threats, including pollution, entanglement in fishing gear, and the destruction of nesting sites."

Sarah's Writing 2:

Sea turtles are endangered because of pollution, the destruction of nesting sites, and fishing gear that traps them.

Conclusion: _____

Explanation: _____

Original Source 3:

National Geographic. "Endangered Species Report." Published on NationalGeographic.com, 2021."Poaching remains one of the biggest threats to African elephants, as their ivory tusks are highly sought after in illegal markets."

Sarah's Writing 3:

Poaching is one of the greatest dangers to African elephants because their ivory tusks are in demand in illegal markets.

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Original Source 4:

National Geographic. "Endangered Species Report." Published on NationalGeographic.com, 2021. "Coral reefs are suffering from bleaching events caused by rising sea temperatures. These ecosystems are vital to marine biodiversity."

Sarah's Writing 4:

Coral reefs, which are crucial to marine biodiversity, are being harmed by bleaching events due to increasing sea temperatures.

Conclusion: _____**Explanation:** _____

_____**Original Source 5:**

Global Climate Network. "The Impact of Fossil Fuels." Published on Climate Change Now.org, 2021.

"Burning fossil fuels releases large amounts of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere, contributing significantly to global climate change."

Sarah's Writing 5:

Burning fossil fuels contributes significantly to climate change because it releases large amounts of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere.

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Sarah's Writing 1:

The giant panda, native to China, is vulnerable because of habitat loss and climate change. Conservation efforts have helped stabilize its population in recent years.

Conclusion: Evidence of Plagiarism

Explanation: Sarah copied most of the sentence's structure and wording without providing a citation or rephrasing the idea.

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Conclusion: No Evidence of Plagiarism

Explanation: Sarah paraphrased the source effectively, rewriting the idea in her own words and maintaining the original meaning.

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Conclusion: Evidence of Plagiarism

Explanation: Sarah copied the structure and wording.

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Sarah's Writing 4:

Coral reefs, which are crucial to marine biodiversity, are being harmed by bleaching events due to increasing sea temperatures.

Conclusion: No Evidence of Plagiarism

Explanation: Sarah paraphrased the information, changing the wording while maintaining the original meaning and providing her own phrasing.

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Sarah's Writing 5:

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Explanation: Sarah rearranged the words slightly but retained the same sentence structure and key phrases without citing the original source.