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Don't forget to watch the extra video on Paraphrasing, which is an important skill for starting your essay. If you missed the link in the lesson, here it is again:

<http://www.engvid.com/how-to-write-a-good-essay-paraphrasing-the-question/>

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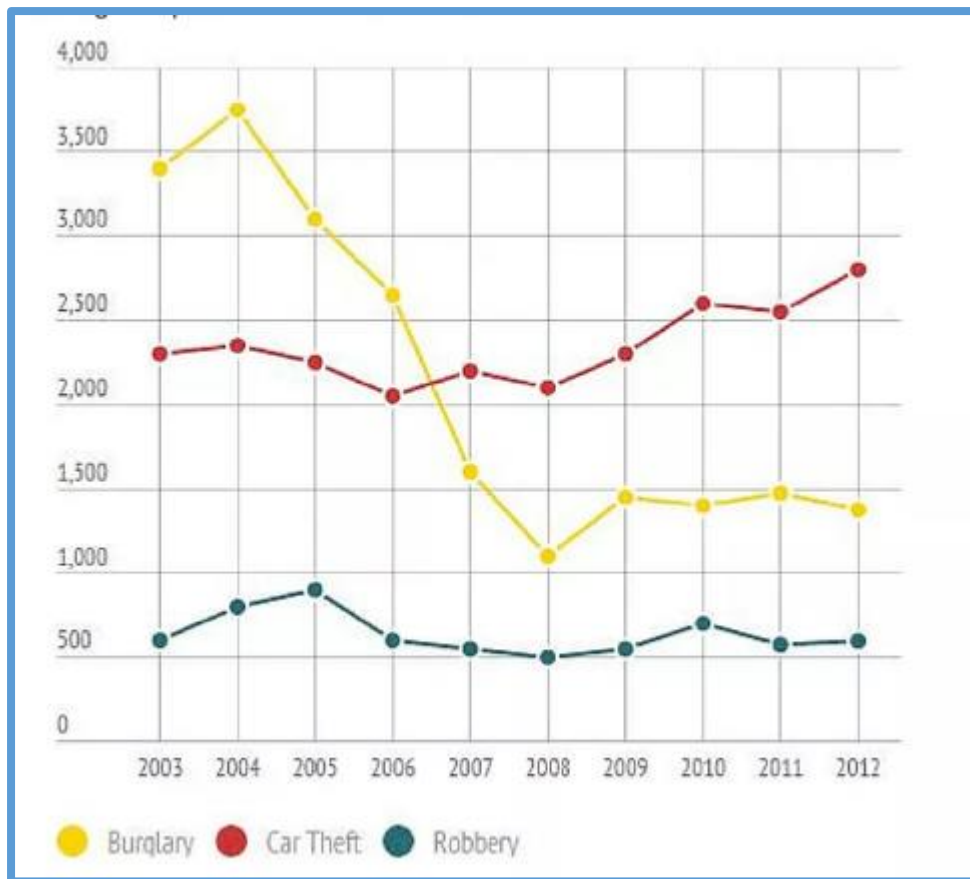
But first, your job is to practice paraphrasing, so below you will find some example questions and I want you to paraphrase them all. To complete your Intro Paragraph, you will then need to add a sentence about the **Overall Trend**, so I have given you the information you need to do this. I want you to use lots of **Essential Vocabulary** and try different **Sentence Structures**.

Here is your first example.

The chart below shows the changes in three different areas of crime in Manchester city centre from 2003-2012.

Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features and making comparisons where relevant.

We can ignore the second line, as this is the same for each question and just gives instructions



You might want to take this opportunity to practice your planning strategy as well, remember to read and understand all the information given, find the Overall Trend and Anomaly, select the important numbers and divide the chart.

First Sentence – (Paraphrase the question) The line graph explains how crime rates for Burglary, Car Theft and Robbery in Manchester city centre have changed over the long-term period between 2003 and 2012.

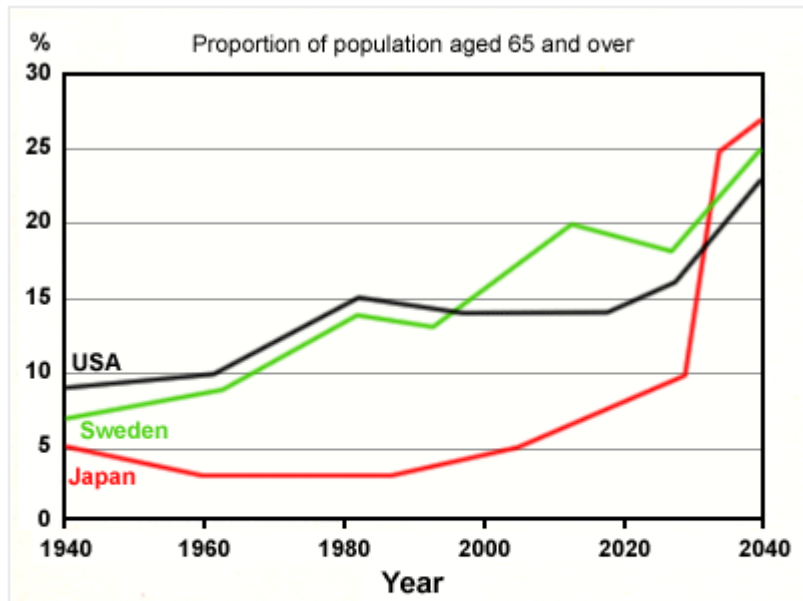
Second Sentence – (Overall Trend and Anomaly) Overall we can see that crime rates have fallen, particularly in the case of Burglary, but while Robbery has remained stable, the number of Car Thefts has increased.

So, here is our completed Intro Paragraph:

'The line graph demonstrates how crime rates for Burglary, Car Theft and Robbery in Manchester city centre have changed over the long-term period between 2003 and 2012. Overall we can see that rates of misconduct have fallen, particularly in the case of Burglary, but while Robbery has fluctuated, the number of Car Thefts has increased.'

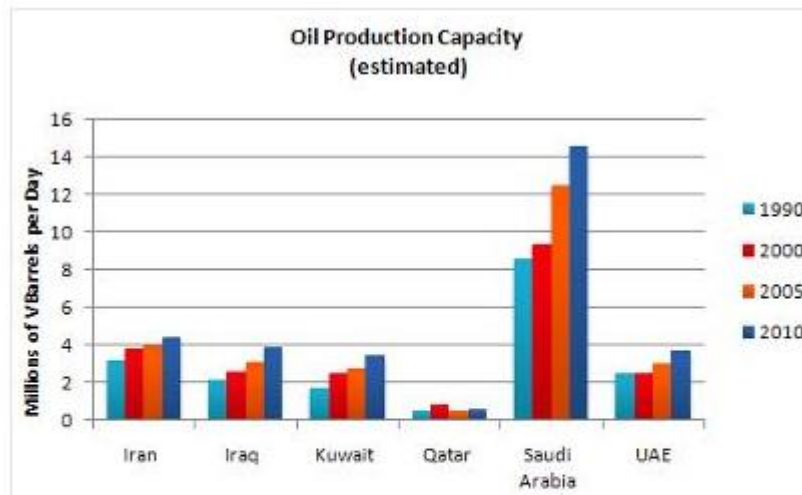
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Now it is your turn to practice on the graphs below. I have left you lots of space, so you can easily try 2 or 3 different versions for each chart.



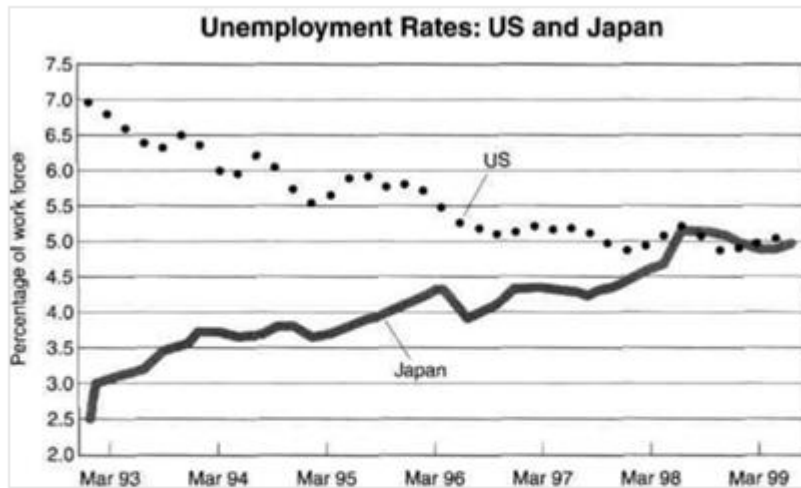
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The graph shows the proportion of the population aged 65 and over between 1940 and 2040 in three different countries.

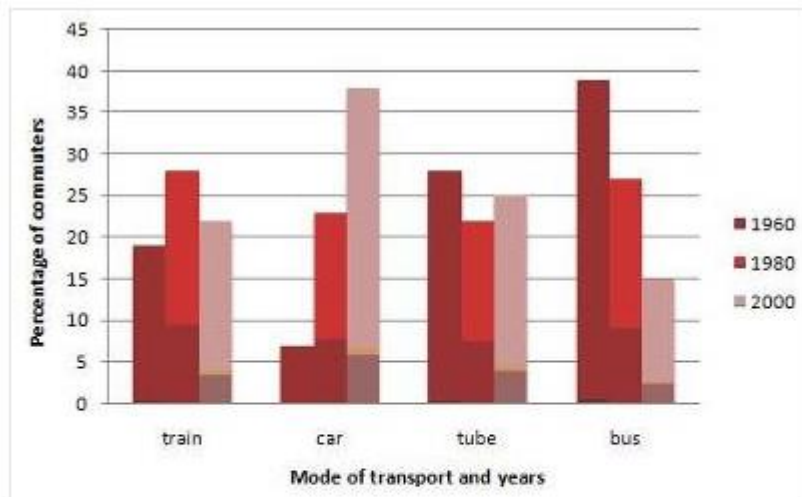


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The graph shows oil production capacity for several Gulf countries between 1990 and 2010.

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THE GRAPH SHOWS THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATES IN THE US AND JAPAN BETWEEN MARCH 1993 AND MARCH 1999.



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The graph shows the different modes of transport used to travel to and from work in one European city in 1960, 1980 and 2000.

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