Paraphrasing: In my own words

Grade 4 Writing Worksheet

1. Read the paragraph. Then, in your own words, write four facts about Brazil.

Brazil is the largest country in South America and the fifth largest country in the world. The official language of Brazil is Portuguese, which is different from the Spanish language spoken in many other Latin American countries. The climate of Brazil is varied: It includes the Amazon Rainforest, dry grasslands, pine forests, a coastal plain and more. The Amazon Rainforest contains many different animals, including jaguars, pink river dolphins, black spider monkeys, sloths and poison dart frogs. Thanks to its rainforest, Brazil has the largest variety of animals of any country in the world! The people of Brazil tend to love football (or soccer, as some countries call it). Brazil has won the World Cup five times, which is more than any other country.

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2. Read the paragraph. Then, in your own words, write what you have learned about the brain.

The human brain is where we do all of our thinking. Our five senses, our memories, our emotions, our worries, our dreams and our ability to control our own bodies are all thanks to our brains and the work they do with our nerves and spinal cords. The brain isn't big. Make two fists and put them together…and that's about how big it is! There are many different parts of the brain and each one has an important role to play. The cerebrum is the largest part of the brain. It is responsible for everything from movement, touch, vision, hearing and speech to judgment, problem-solving, learning, emotions and more. This part of the brain helps people think and plan, and it isn't done growing until a person is 25! This is why kids and teenagers think differently from adults.

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