**Paraphrase a Paragraph (Harrigan f11)**

Paraphrase the following paragraph, following the rules for paraphrasing, below:

1. Put the sentences in your own words.
2. Do not use the same key words that the author has used. Instead, use a thesaurus or dictionary to find alternative words.
3. Keep the same meaning as the author—do not alter it in any way.
4. Write as much as you need to—the paraphrase can be longer or shorter than the original.
5. Put your paraphrase sentences in any order to help you make the best sense of the text-authors often put things in an order they think will appeal to a reader, but it is not necessarily the order that is most logical.
6. Remember that the purpose of a paraphrase is to make the ideas simple to understand—simpler than the author made them.

“Scientists Find New Ways to Test if Someone is Telling a Lie”

USA Today, April 2005

… Telling the truth is a character trait that humans have always valued. Its importance is stressed all over the country in character education programs. Figuring out who’s telling the truth, and who isn’t, is central to many articles in the newspaper each day. Because people value truthfulness, many scientific studies have been done in the last 30 years to find out if there are behaviors that give people away when they are lying. Research shows that behaviors vary from liar to liar, but as *Science News* magazine reported this summer, there are certain general behaviors that “liars are more likely to exhibit than are people telling the truth.”

Write your paraphrase below and/or on the back:

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