

2. Divorce from your Source. If you are looking at the source you're writing your research paper from, you're likely to accidentally plagiarize. Once you have a graphic organizer or outline completely filled out, you should never look at your source again unless you need more information for your outline/organizer. Using just the notes you've taken, turn your ideas back into sentences or paragraphs.

Example: Organizer says: "Steelers won 6 SB's. > all others"

You write: *The Pittsburgh Steelers have won more Superbowl games than any of the other teams in the NFL. They have won 6 games. The Superbowl is the championship game of the NFL, so many people would argue that this makes them the greatest NFL team of all time.*

Practice: Notes say: "Mr. Pratt in Grade meeting: Read 2 Succeed improving literacy @ BTMS."

You write: _____

Notes say: "Sci teacher proud of students. Believes—all can do great work"

You write: _____

Notes say: "Sun: Mass of gas. Nuclear reactions change H-> He temps of 1,000,000's degrees (c)"

You write: _____

