Using AI Tools for Paraphrasing Worksheet

Instructions:

Work with your group:
1. Use ChatGPT to paraphrase the quote from the reading.
2. Copy your paraphrase below.
3. Use the checklist to evaluate the paraphrase. Explain your answers.
4. Revise your paraphrase based on your evaluation.
5. Add an in-text citation for your paraphrase.

Quote: "Ecotourism is an industry that promotes responsible travel to natural areas. It can provide income and promote conservation–rather than exploitation–of natural resources. Sometimes, ecotourism is looked at as a solution to a lack of political will or general apathy toward conservation issues.*"*

Sencer. (2016, September 29). Is Ecotourism Helping or Hurting Our National Parks? Retrieved May 15, 2017, from https://ww2.kqed.org/learning/2016/09/29/is-ecotourism-helping-or-hurting-our-national-parks/

Step 1. Use ChatGPT to paraphrase the quote from the reading.

Step 2. Copy the AI paraphrase below.
Paraphrase:

Ecotourism represents a sector focused on encouraging sustainable exploration of natural regions. It has the potential to generate revenue and support the preservation, instead of depletion, of natural assets. At times, ecotourism is considered a remedy for the absence of political motivation or widespread indifference to conservation matters.

Step 3. Use the checklist to evaluate the paraphrase. Explain your answers.

Checklist for Evaluating Paraphrases:

Category	Yes	Somewhat	No	Explain
paraphrase has the same meaning as the original text; all main ideas included; no new ideas added		X		*The paraphrase has some of the same meaning and introduces the topic of the ecotourism industry, but "exploration" and "represents" might be misleading in this context because they do not have exactly the same meaning as "travel" and "is" from the original. No new ideas are included.*
paraphrase uses different words from the original text; no more than 3 words in a row from the original text used	X			*"Ecotourism," "political", "conservation", and "natural" are the only repeated words from the original and they are also not used together in a row; all the other content words are different (i.e., "an", "to", etc. are repeated).*
paraphrase uses different grammatical structures from the original text			X	*The original and paraphrase both use present simple (e.g., Ecotourism represents…) and an adjective clause.*
paraphrase is about the same length as the original text (within 0-3 words difference)		X		*The original is 42 words and the paraphrase is 48 words.*

Step 4. Revise your paraphrase based on your evaluation.

Revised Paraphrase:

The ecotourism industry is dedicated to encouraging sustainable travel to natural environments. It has the potential to generate revenue and support the preservation, instead of depletion, of natural assets. Ecotourism can be considered a remedy for the absence of political motivation or widespread indifference to conservation matters.

Step 5. Add an in-text citation for your paraphrase.

Revised Paraphrase with In-Text Citation:

According to Sencer (2016) the ecotourism industry is dedicated to encouraging sustainable travel to natural environments. It has the potential to generate revenue and support the preservation, instead of depletion, of natural assets. Ecotourism can be considered a remedy for the absence of political motivation or widespread indifference to conservation matters.