Please read this piece of text taken from the University of York’s (2021) website. Then consider two examples of paraphrasing below it. Which do you think is the most appropriate and effective example of paraphrasing?

*Original text*

The University of York is one of the success stories in UK higher education. Since our foundation in 1963, we have powered our way to a consistently high ranking in the UK and are one of just six post-war universities to have appeared in the world top 100.

And

The Times Good University Guide 19th in [The Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2022](https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/good-university-guide-in-full-tp6dzs7wn) Six subjects ranked in the top 10

University of York (2021) About/awards [online]. Available from <https://www.york.ac.uk/about/awards/> [Accessed 1st October 2021].

**Paraphrase 1**

The university was recently listed by *The Times* in the top 20 ranking UK Universities. It is a university with old foundations that have ensured successful high ranking and is one of a few post WWII Universities to have emerged in the top 100 University Guide.

**Paraphrase 2**

The University of York’s (2021) website states that it is a ‘high ranking’ UK university, currently at 19th place according to *The Times* recent listing. It goes on to state that since the second world war it is one of only a small number of universities to have been included in a global top UK listing.

Write down your thoughts.

**Activity 2**

Please read this extract from the University of York (2021) website then attempt to express the main points in your own words.

*Original Text*

Pursuing academic excellence

Our research-intensive, supportive environment allows collaboration and innovation to flourish, attracting world-class researchers who are solving global problems and inspiring students from across the world.

* [Our Research Strategy](https://www.york.ac.uk/research/strategy/)encompasses our vision that York should provide a home for some of the best research in the world
* £86m total research income in 2018-19, a 39 per cent growth in the last five years
* A recent [report by London Economics](https://www.york.ac.uk/media/abouttheuniversity/governanceandmanagement/documents/vcrecruitment/London-Economics-impact-summary.pdf) assessed our total economic impact at £1.82bn
* The total economic impact of research conducted by the University in 2016-17 was estimated to be £537.1m
* Our latest [Annual Report and Financial Statements](https://www.york.ac.uk/media/staffhome/marketing/corporatepublications/annual-report-2019.pdf) provides a full breakdown of our financial position

University of York (2021) About/awards [online]. Available from <https://features.york.ac.uk/who-we-are/> [Accessed 1st October 2021].