

# Paraphrasing: In my own words

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## Grade 4 Writing Worksheet

- 1. Read the paragraph. Then, in your own words, write a four or five sentence summary about the cheetah.**

The cheetah is the world's fastest land animal. For short distances, it can run at speeds as high as 70 miles (113 kilometers) per hour. It usually doesn't need to run quite this fast to catch prey, though! They have a lightweight and narrow body, a flexible spine, long thin legs and hard foot pads to help them run more easily than other animals. Before cheetahs can eat after a chase, they usually need about half an hour to catch their breath! Cheetahs may run to get away from danger or to catch their dinner. They normally eat small or mid-sized animals such as hares, wildebeest calves and gazelles.

Unfortunately, cheetahs are getting closer and closer to extinction. Loss of habitat and fewer prey are making it hard for them to survive. Once found across Asia and Africa, they now live mostly in eastern and southern Africa.

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