

# How to Summarize

*Read the following passage and summarize it using the steps below.*

Coffee is consumed all over the world, from Turkey to the U.S., from France to Thailand. Throughout the day, Italians make regular trips to their local bars to drink strong espresso. In Japan, canned instant coffee purchased from a vending machine is popular with people on the go. In Ethiopia, coffee is sometimes flavored with cardamom and served with popcorn to refresh the palate. However, the country that ranks top in coffee consumption is Norway. A country with a population of only 4.5 million people, it consumed nearly 41 tons of coffee in 2005. That's 8.8 kilos of coffee per person, most of which is drunk in the home. Norwegians have a tradition of inviting people over for cake and coffee, and at dinner parties it is common to end a meal with coffee, cake and cognac. The popularity of coffee continues to grow, with Norway seeing a big increase in the number of trendy coffee shops opening.

- STEP 1:** Read the passage and highlight the main points.
- STEP 2:** Underline the shared language and circle the words you can replace with synonyms in the underlined parts of the passage.
- STEP 3:** Summarize the passage. Change the sentence structure and word order in your summary.
- STEP 4:** Make sure the summary is shorter than the original passage.

**SUMMARY:**