

The original passage has 288 words. So the précis should be around 95 words.

How I proceeded: I began with reading and underlining the important facts. Then I read it again. Next, I wrote a first draft. Here it is:

China recently test drove the Transit Elevated Bus (TEB). This vehicle has been developed as a solution to traffic congestion. It is elevated 7 feet and runs on giant rails on either side of the motorway. Vehicles can thus pass under it and it can thus take on upto 300 passengers without stopping other traffic. It is fast and runs on electricity. Because vehicles taller than 7 feet cannot pass under it and because drivers would find it difficult to drive this tunnel-like vehicle, TEB may not become a reality soon. (90 words)

I found that I had to sometimes change the order of thoughts as expressed in the passage in order to save words. Though we try to avoid this but in this case, it was unavoidable. I then reread the passage and kept making changes. My passage is reproduced below:

China recently test drove the Transit Elevated Bus (TEB) which is an elevated vehicle that runs on giant rails on either side of the motorway. It allows other vehicles to pass under it and can take on passengers without stopping traffic. It is electrically operated, fast and can carry upto 300 passengers. Developed to solve traffic congestion problems, it, however, may not be feasible in the real world because only vehicles lower than 7 feet can pass under it, and because drivers would probably find it difficult to drive this long bus. (92)

I was not satisfied because the crucial point about the restriction on the height of vehicles was not included. Also, I misunderstood the last bit about drivers. The passage is not talking about the drivers of the TEB but those driving under it. So, I rewrote it:

China recently test drove the Transit Elevated Bus (TEB) which is an elevated vehicle running on giant rails on either side of the motorway. It allows vehicles up to 7 feet in height to pass under it and can take on passengers without stopping traffic. It is electrically operated, fast and can carry up to 300 passengers. Developed to solve traffic congestion problems, it, however, may not be feasible in reality because it restricts the height of the vehicles on the road, and because it would negatively impact the drivers driving under this tunnel like bus. (96)