Paragraph Copy Practice on Seyes Ruled Lines: A Practical Guide

Original worked example / unchanged complete key

Prompt: Copy this two-sentence model paragraph onto Seyes ruled lines: 'The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog. It runs through the field and stops by the tree.'

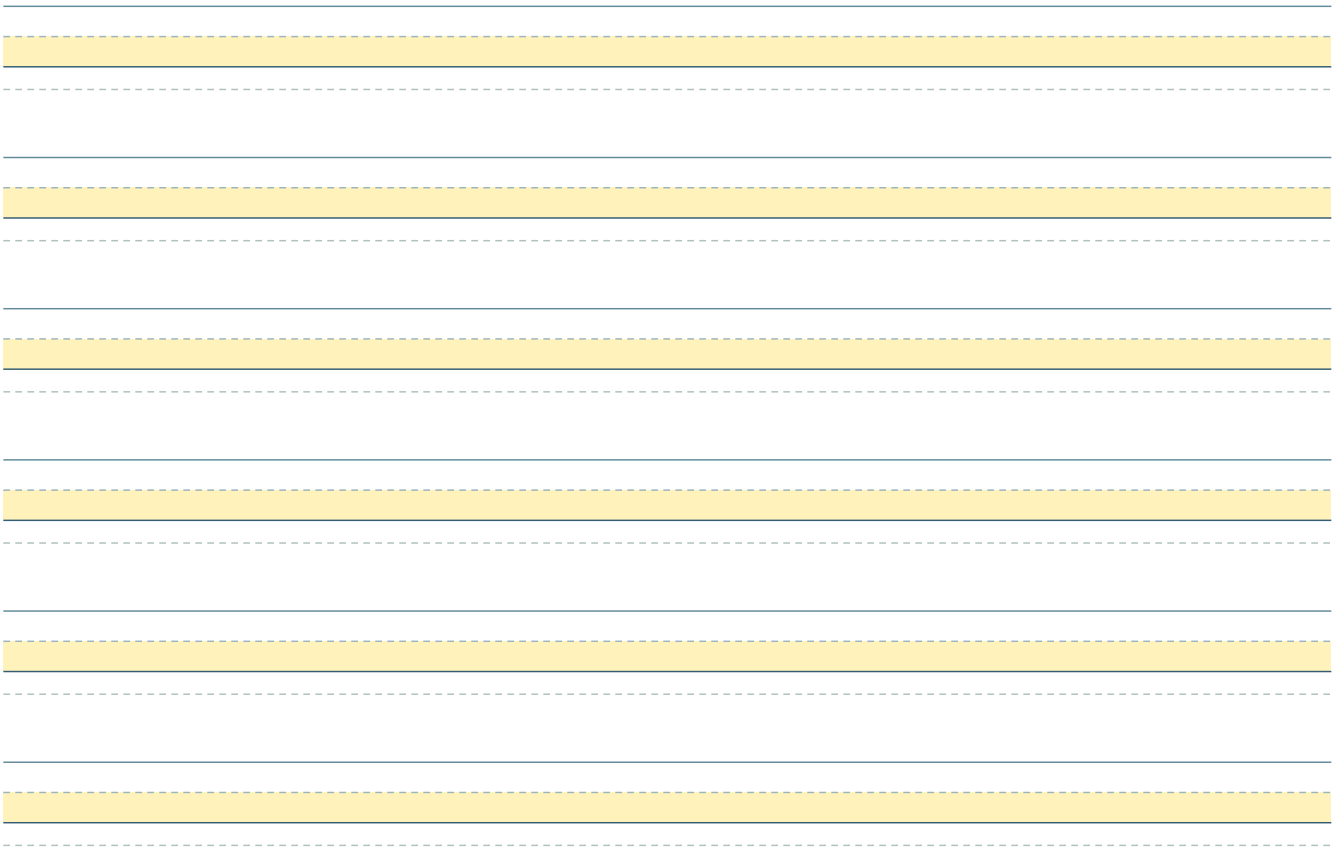
Answer: One acceptable copy, with line breaks planned so no word is squeezed or split, is:
Line 1: The quick brown fox jumps over
Line 2: the lazy dog. It runs through
Line 3: the field and stops by the tree.
This is not the only valid copy. Any copy that keeps letters on the baseline, makes tall and short letters distinguishable, keeps word spacing even, and is legible to another reader is acceptable, even if its line breaks differ.

Reason: The model has two sentences. The first has 9 words (The, quick, brown, fox, jumps, over, the, lazy, dog) and the second has 10 (It, runs, through, the, field, and, stops, by, the, tree). Copy sentence by sentence, and before writing the last few words of a line check whether the next word fits; if not, carry it to the next line. The example above breaks after 'over' and after 'through' because the following words would not fit comfortably.

Check: Compare your copy with the model using the rubric: baseline alignment, letter-height distinction, even word spacing, and legibility. Also check that no word is split across lines and that each line starts at the same left edge. Mark each criterion as met, partly met, or not met, and choose one to improve next time.

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Seyes-style ruled guide for paragraph copy practice



Chosen layout example: baseline-to-top 8 mm, baseline-to-mid 4 mm, descender 3 mm, baseline-to-next-top 12 mm. Confirm line roles against your own paper.