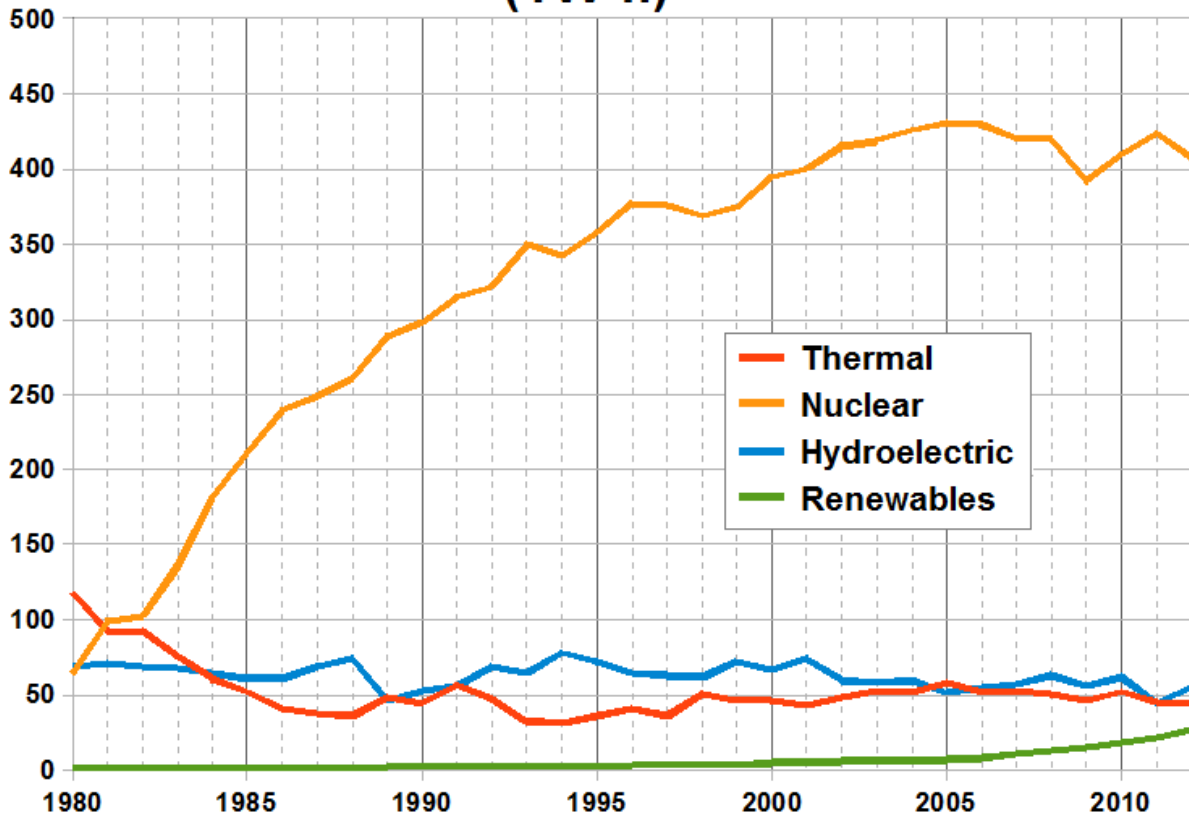


The graph below shows electricity production (in terawatt hours) in France between 1980 and 2012.

Electricity Production in France by Source (TW-h)



The line graph compares the amount of electricity produced in France using four different sources of power over a period of 32 years.

It is clear that nuclear power was by far the most important means of electricity generation over the period shown. Renewables provided the lowest amount of electricity in each year.

In 1980, thermal power stations were the main source of electricity in France, generating around 120 terawatt hours of power. Nuclear and hydroelectric power stations produced just under 75 terawatt hours of electricity each, and renewables provided a negligible amount. Just one year later, nuclear power overtook thermal power as the primary source of electricity.

Between 1980 and 2005, electricity production from nuclear power rose dramatically to a peak of 430 terawatt hours. By contrast, the figure for thermal power fell to only 50 terawatt hours in 1985, and remained at this level for the rest of the period. Hydroelectric power generation remained relatively stable, at between 50 and 80 terawatt hours, for the whole 32-year period, but renewable electricity production saw only a small rise to approximately 25 terawatt hours by 2012.

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Analysis task:

1. Underline examples of paraphrasing in the introduction, comparing it with the question.
2. Look again at the 2 main points that I chose for the overview (paragraph 2).
3. Underline the numbers and years that I mentioned in paragraphs 3 and 4. How many numbers did I mention in the report?
4. Underline examples of 'comparing' language in the report.
5. How many sentences did I write in each paragraph?

Vocabulary task:

Watch the video lesson again. Near the end of the lesson, find the list of good vocabulary. Underline those phrases in the full report on page 1 of this worksheet.

Extra task:

Try to write your own report about the same line graph using what you remember from the lesson (but without looking at my answer).

Compare your finished report with mine, and look for areas where you could improve.