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EXAMPLE 2

Original source:
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Plagiarism
Even before the rise of Islam, the nomadic Arabs were already playing a role in relations between the Byzantines and Sasanians Empires. Both maintained Arab clients on their borders. Even before Islam, Arab culture was distinctive. The Arab peninsula saw a number of important kingdoms, cities, and artistic styles.

A correct way to summarize and cite a source:
The Byzantine and Sasanian Empires were the major political powers on the Arabian Peninsula in the period before the rise of Islam. Nevertheless, the Arab-speaking groups that lived on the peninsula were already playing a role in the politics of the era, serving one or other of the imperial powers as client kingdoms. They also had developed their own particular culture and their own governmental entities, such as kingdoms and cities.²

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