

Quoting A Source - Finding That Golden Line

It is perfectly acceptable to take some else's words for a paper as long you use direct quotes. Sometimes finding a golden line from a source can be very powerful. However, as my wife says, "Think of direct quotes as spices for a dish, and don't overdo it."

When you quote a source, be sure to put the author's words in quotation marks. You should always give **intellectual credit** to the author you quote. With a direct quote start with a with a lead-in such as, "*According to the author _____ or According to the text _____*". In addition, be sure to use the in-text citation at the end of the quote. This means putting the author or source in parenthesis, before you close the quote. In addition, be sure that you add this source in your Works Cited page.

Example

According to the English teacher, Marilyn Forrest, "Think of direct quotes as spices for a dish, and don't overdo it" (Forrest).

Your Turn

Find two documents that **Argue For Using the Atomic Bomb** and quote each below. Use in-text citation at the end of the quote. Be sure to pick two different sources than the ones you used for paraphrasing.

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