

Rules for in-text citations: *one author*

- 1) If the quotation falls in the middle of the sentence, place the citation at the end of the sentence¹ so as not to interrupt the flow of your writing.
- 2) Place the author's last name and the page number(s) inside parentheses at the end of the sentence, followed by a period.
- 3) If a ! or ? is part of the quote, include it inside the closing quotation mark. Don't place periods right before the closing quotation mark.

Part of a student's essay:

The narrator exclaims, "Not only have I done many boneheaded things in life, but I can't seem to stop doing them!" effectively setting a playful tone for the rest of the chapter (Bridges 3).

author's last name +
space + page number

Place period after the citation

"?" and "!" go inside quotations when
part of the author's original sentence

Stupid Confessions — a book by Ivan Bridges, chapter 1, page 3.

My life has been somewhat of a train wreck. Not only have I done many boneheaded things in life, but I can't seem to stop doing them! Perhaps by reading this book, you'll learn to avoid the mistakes I continue to make.

¹ Citations may appear mid-sentence if necessary to differentiate cited material from the writer's opinion.

Add a Citation to the student's essay, if needed:

The Maze of Golden Fleeces

- a book by F.D. Prescott, chapter 12, page 181.

"There isn't time!" Jonathan shouted. "The device will explode if we stop now! I need you to help me solve this code before the clock runs out. Are you in or not?"

Part of a student's essay:

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Rules for in-text citations: *author mentioned in essay*

- 1) If the quotation falls in the middle of the sentence, place the citation at the end of the sentence¹ so as not to interrupt the flow of your writing.
- 2) If the author you're quoting is stated directly in your essay, place **just the page number(s)** inside parentheses at the end of the sentence.
- 3) Place a period after your citation.

Part of a student's essay:

With Wikipedia enjoying almost 500 million unique visitors each month as of February, 2014, Eric Blooyard's contention that "Wikipedia has added more value to the world than almost any website" doesn't seem that far off (312).

author's name stated in text

page number

sentence still ends
with a period

The Untold Tale of Wikipedia — a book by Eric Blooyard, chapter 13, page 312.

Wikipedia has added more value to the world than almost any website. Google, Facebook, and Amazon are all incredible sites, but their missions don't inspire me as much.

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Add a Citation to the student's essay, if needed:

Jane Austen's Literary World

--a book by James Woodlawn, chapter 4, page 72.

There have been many modern adaptations of Austen's novels. A recent and much beloved example is the 1995 American movie *Clueless*, starring Alicia Silverstone. *Clueless*, set in the wealthy world of Beverly Hills, California, is loosely based on *Emma*.

Part of a student's essay:

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