

#2. Instructions for how to write in-text citations

Be sure to see **handout**

#1. Instructions for how to write a Works Cited list first.

When you **QUOTE** someone (use their words by copy/pasting or some other method), you must put **quotation marks** around the words you've copied and **cite the source of the words in -text.**

When you **PARAPHRASE** (put information or ideas in your own words), you must **cite the source of the information in-text.**

Each source that appears on your **Works Cited** list should also appear as a citation in-text.

Here's what you do:

1. After you use a **quotation** (something you copied exactly from a source) and after you **paraphrase** (write an idea from a source in your own words), locate the source on your **Works Cited**.
2. Write the first piece of information that appears in the citation in brackets after the quotation or paraphrased idea. For print sources, include the page number.

Here's an example of an in-text citation on a PowerPoint slide.

This example has an **in-text citation** for a **paraphrased** idea and an **in-text citation** for a **quotation**.

The image shows a PowerPoint slide with a grey background and a red title bar at the top. The title is "Three Crop Rotation" in large, bold, black font. Below the title are two bullet points:

- In the Middle Ages, farmers planted wheat, barley or rye on one third of their land (Encyclopedia Britannica).
- They planted their second field "in the spring to raise peas, beans, and lentils for human use and oats and barley for the horses" (Lienhard).

Red arrows point to the following parts of the slide:

- A downward-pointing arrow from the top bar to the first bullet point, labeled "This idea is from my source."
- A leftward-pointing arrow from the right to the first bullet point, labeled "In-text citation".
- A leftward-pointing arrow from the right to the second bullet point, labeled "In-text citation".
- An upward-pointing arrow from the bottom to the second bullet point, labeled "This is a quote from my source."

Here's an example, here's a **quotation** and an **in-text citation** from *The Hunger Games* book. Because it's a print source, I've included a page number.

Katniss hears a "mocking jay give the warning whistle that precedes the hovercraft" (Collins 237).

In-text citation