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CITE SOURCES LIKE A PRO

INTRODUCE your quotation.

Introducing your expert or source is important for readers because it shows the source is legitimate. In other words, if you are writing about a medical topic, it would make sense that you would gather information from medical journals, databases and medical professionals.

★ Using a signal phrase helps introduce your expert material into your sentences and paragraphs in a smooth and coherent way.

CITE your quotation.

Citing your sources means that you have given credit to the **original author** or agency that wrote the material.

★ Follow this rule of thumb: “If in doubt, cite it.”

★ **What should be cited?**

- ★ Cite anything that is quoted word for word directly from the original source.
- ★ Cite anything that is paraphrased from the original source.
- ★ Cite all tables, figures, maps, and etc.
- ★ Cite anything from electronic sources off the internet
- ★ Cite any interviews

★ **Examples:**

★ “By the year 2010, all automotive companies will be required to show evidence of alternative fuel vehicles in production” (Williams 20).

EXPLAIN your quotation.

Tell your readers what the quotation/fact/data means with regard to your topic and how they relate to your thesis statement.

★ **Key thought: Why is this important and what does it have to do with my main point?**