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Why do you cite a source?



Citing sources is responsible. It is proof that you did your research instead of making up facts. It also helps you avoid plagiarism.

HOW TO QUOTE A SOURCE

Sometimes it is useful to use a quote from a source. A quote is someone's exact words. Cite quotes by putting them in quotation marks. Include the author and page number in parentheses after the sentence. If there is no page number, just use the author.

Example: "The standard height for a Basset is below 15 inches" (Robins 3).

PARAPHRASING

Paraphrasing is expressing the meaning of an idea from the source without using the exact words. Even though it's not the exact words, you still need to cite it.

Example: A Basset is usually shorter than 15 inches (Robins 3).

WHAT IS PLAGIARISM?

Plagiarism is taking someone else's ideas and pretending they are your own. It doesn't give proper credit. Many schools have rules against plagiarism. They don't want students to cheat. They want students to do their own work. Plagiarism can also be illegal if it breaks copyright laws.

STYLES

The different ways to cite sources are called styles. Modern Language Association (MLA) style is one of the most commonly used styles. Be sure to ask your teacher what kind of style you should use for your writing.



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(The different ways to cite sources are called styles according to MLA. If your teacher asks for a different style, add additional items)

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Note the order, punctuation, indentation, and italicization in this MLA example:

Robins, Mary. "10 Things To Know About Basset Hounds." *American Kennel Club*, 6 Sept. 2019, www.akc.org/expert-advice/lifestyle/10-facts-about-basset-hounds/. Accessed 28 July 2020.