

ICE Introduce Cite Explain Your Evidence

Body paragraphs in academic essays contain evidence that supports debatable main ideas that appear in topic sentences, and responsible writers make sure to introduce, cite, and explain quotes and paraphrases used as evidence

INTRODUCE: Introduce all your quotes using introductory phrases. Here are some examples

- **According to Michael Smith,** you should use the author's first and last name when you cite that author for the first time in your paper ()
- **As Smith explains,** you can introduce your quotes with a number of different phrases ()
- **Smith suggests that** if the introduction to your quote isn't a dependent clause, it doesn't need to be followed by a comma ()
- **Smith observes the following in his article:** When you use a colon to introduce a quote, you need a complete sentence preceding the colon ()

CITE Provide appropriate parenthetical citations for all quotes and paraphrases (but not summaries). Check the appropriate style guide for guidelines, e.g. MLA, APA, and Chicago. Here are some guidelines:

1. Single author: (Smith, 2019) or Smith (2019)
2. Multiple authors: (Smith and Jones, 2019) or Smith & Jones (2019)
3. No date: (Smith,) or Smith ()
4. No author: () or ()
5. Paraphrase: (Smith, 2019) or Smith (2019)
6. Block quote: (Smith, 2019) or Smith (2019)

Sample paragraph taken from page 2 of Turner, Kristen Hawley, and Troy Hicks That s not
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Activity With a partner, work to fix the introductions and