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Summary versus in-text citations

In-text Citation MLA:

Wordsworth stated that Romantic poetry was marked by a "spontaneous overflow of powerful feelings" (263).
Romantic poetry is characterized by the "spontaneous overflow of powerful feelings" (Wordsworth 263).

In-text citation APA:

Wordsworth stated that Romantic poetry was marked by a "spontaneous overflow of powerful feelings" (1994).
Romantic Poetry is characterized by "the spontaneous overflow of powerful feelings" (Wordsworth, 1994).

Summarizing is a short passage sharing the main points of a book or an article. When summarizing, make sure to:

- Use your own words (don't copy from an abstract or review!)
- Aim for a broad view of the work; the summary should be much shorter than what it is summarizing.
- Provide a citation.

Summary MLA: Students who are most successful in research bring a sense of curiosity and inquiry to their projects (George, 234).

*This in-text citation alerts the reader to look at the entry for George in the bibliography/Works Cited for a full citation. The 234 refers to **the page** of the publication, which MLA requires.*

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Works Cited formerly known as Bibliography

Example Works Cited APA (Book)

(ALWAYS indent second line and beyond)

Author last name, first. (Year of publication). *Title of work: Capital letter also for subtitle*. Publisher Name. DOI (if available) (DOI in a journal/ is similar to the URL).

Stoneman, R. (2008). *Alexander the Great: A life in legend*. Yale University Press.

Example Works Cited MLA (Book)

(ALWAYS indent first line and bring out second line and beyond)

Last Name, First Name. *Title of Book*. City of Publication, Publisher, Publication Date.

Stoneman, Robert. *Alexander the Great: A life in legend*. Yale University Press, 2008.

**Note: the City of Publication should only be used if the book was published before 1900, if the publisher has offices in more than one country, or if the publisher is unknown in North America.*

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Online Writing Lab (OWL) / Perdue



- 1) Choose an environmental issue book,
- 2) PERUSE for a citation AND a summarized sentence you can use (pick MLA or APA).
- 3) Place a summary and a quote that stands out to you, on the front of the posterboard.
- 4) On the BACK of the poster place the Works Cited entry for that book.



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Citations, Summarizing, and Paraphrasing: Quoting and Summarizing

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