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Practice Signal Phrases

Instructions: Read the following PDF to understand signal phrases and parenthetical references. ([99.1 PDF](#)). Complete the prompts below to practice these two parts of the citation process.

1.Signal Phrase: Using the information provided, write a sentence using a signal phrase for this quote:

“...a tweet’s limit of 140 characters makes it difficult to compose a message at a higher reading level.”

Author: Dave Johnson

Article: “How Smart Are Your Tweets?”

Name of Site: *Time.com*

Signal Phrase:

2. Signal Phrase: Using the information provided, create a signal phrase either before or after this paraphrase:

Politicians tend to have higher reading levels for tweets because they tend to use more multisyllabic words.

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Article: “How Smart Are Your Tweets?”

Name of Site: *Time.com*

Signal Phrase:

3. Signal Phrase: Using the information provided, Paraphrase this direct quote from the article and use a signal phrase either before or after your paraphrase:

“The A-Force will be the 15th female-led comic book series for the brand, and even the most traditional fans finally seem to be accepting that women can play leading roles in the comic book world too.”

Author: Eliana Dockterman

Article: “Why Marvel Decided to Create an All-Female Superhero Team”

Name of Site: *Time.com*

Signal Phrase:

Signal Phrase & Parenthetical References

1. **Signal Phrase & Parenthetical Reference:** Using the information provided, write a sentence using a signal phrase for this quote, but don't forget the parenthetical reference:

“The book is essentially a sequel to *To Kill a Mockingbird* but was technically written first.”

Author: Jacqueline Sahagian

Article: “Why Fans Shouldn't Read Harper Lee's New Book.”

Website: *The Cheat Sheet*

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Example: Author, Jacqueline Sahagian, in her article titled ““Why Fans Shouldn't Read Harper Lee's New Book” from *The Cheat Sheet*, she explains that “The book is essentially a sequel to *To Kill a Mockingbird* but was technically written first” (Sahagian 1).

2. **Parenthetical Reference:** Using the quote below, Paraphrase it and use a parenthetical reference:

“Given [Harper] Lee's highly reclusive nature, we really don't know if she was a true literary one-hit wonder and only had one great book in her, or if she's had volumes of wonderful stories in her mind that she's been unwilling to share, publish, or maybe even write down.”

Author: Jacqueline Sahagian

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Example:

3. **Parenthetical Reference:** Using the information provided, use a parenthetical reference for this direct quote:

“Seventy-two percent of teachers reported feeling moderate to extreme pressure from school and district administrators to improve test scores.”

Article: “What Makes Testing Toxic?”

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Example: 

4. Parenthetical Reference: Using the information provided, use a parenthetical reference for this direct quote:

“It’s exciting to hear that this beloved author is releasing new writing about the characters millions of readers have come to know and love.”

Author: Jacqueline Sahagian

Article: “Why Fans Shouldn’t Read Harper Lee’s New Book”

Website: *The Cheat Sheet*

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Example: 

Extra Practice

1.Signal Phrase: Using the information provided, write a sentence using a signal phrase for this quote:

“[F]or three or four decades during the Gilded Age, corporations and railroads took their favors-enormous ones that helped produce the world’s biggest fortunes-by all but seizing key portions of federal and state government. The legitimate encouragement of industry and technology aided U.S. growth and democracy; these political usurpations fundamentally threatened it.”

Author: Kevin Phillips

Article: *Wealth and Democracy*”

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Signal Phrase: 

2.Signal Phrase: Using the information provided, write a sentence using a signal phrase for this quote:

“During episodes of unemployment I find it rewarding to sleep as much as possible – anywhere from twelve to fourteen hours a day is a good starting point. Sleep spares you

humiliation and saves money at the same time: nothing to eat, nothing to buy, just lie back and dream your life away”

Author: David Sedaris

Article: “*Something for Everyone*” in the book *Naked*

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Signal Phrase:

3.Signal Phrase: Using the information provided, write a sentence using a signal phrase for this quote:

“The cannon is not only important in itself as a power-machine applied to warfare: it is a one-cylinder internal combustion engine, and all of our more modern motors of this type are descended from it.”

Author: Lynn White Jr.

Article: *Medieval Technology and Social Change*

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Signal Phrase:

4.Signal Phrase: Using the information provided, write a sentence using a signal phrase for this quote:

“In a most direct way, the Attorney General [John Ashcroft] had said that his critics were helping America’s enemy; any questions the senators might have about his proposals had been pre-emptively labeled unpatriotic, even subversive.”

Author: Jeffrey Toobin

Article: “*Ashcroft’s Ascent.*” in *New Yorker*

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Signal Phrase:

5.Signal Phrase: Using the information provided, write a sentence using a signal phrase for this quote:

“Models are forced to achieve an unhealthy body weight in order to keep their jobs. In the year 2009, twenty magazine models died due to eating related diseases.”

Source: Crane, Alex Dr. “TV is Too Much for Teens.” *Psychology Today* 19 Feb. 2008. Print.

Signal Phrase:

6.Signal Phrase: Using the information provided, write a sentence using a signal phrase for this quote:

“The amount of time a teen spends watching television effects the amount of pressure celebrity images have on them. Statistic prove that 60% of teens spend 40 hours or more a week watching television.”

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HW Rubric

Completed Each Task:

4 Student completed all tasks assigned effectively ▾

Effort Displayed

4 Student response to tasks demonstrated an effort beyond expectations ▾

Use of Lesson Concepts

4 Student integrated and expanded upon the ideas of the lesson into their responses ▾