

# Including a direct quotation

## Direct quotation shorter than 40 words

Uncle Frank Webner began his career as a Pony Express rider at the age of 14. To us, it may seem amazing to think of a middle school-aged person taking on such a solitary and dangerous job, but, in fact, this was very common. "It wasn't unusual for teenagers as young as 14 to be hired. One rider named 'Bronco' Charlie Miller claimed he was only 11 years old when he first joined the Pony Express" (Andrews, 2016, p. 21).

Uses the EXACT TEXT from the source

Enclosed within QUOTATION MARKS.

Includes a CITATION after the closing quotation mark and BEFORE the period.

## Direct quotation longer than 40 words

Horticulturalist Ellen Rivas (2016), a native of southwest Florida, explains how dangerous the introduction of non-native plant species into an environment can be:

Introduced with a signal phrase that includes the AUTHOR and YEAR OF PUBLICATION

Quotation is INDENTED by a half-inch.

The introduction of non-native species to the welcoming biome represented in southwest Florida poses a real danger to native flora and fauna. When a transplanted species is placed in its new environment, growth may go unchecked in the absence of insect enemies or meteorological factors that previously kept the growth of the species in balance. (para. 4)

Quotation is NOT enclosed within quotation marks.

Includes the PAGE or PARAGRAPH number at the end of the quotation and AFTER the period.