

# INSIDE AN MLA PAPER

(How to Quote in Body of MLA Paper)

## SHORT QUOTE (four lines or less)

Employers often discriminate against women. Adams states, "When men discriminate against women, they have a problem" (351).

-or-

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## LONG QUOTE (more than four lines) [example w/2 authors]

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**Indent** When men discriminate against women, they run  
**10** into a problem. To discriminate against women is to discriminate against your own wife and to lower your own family income. To prevent women from working is to force men to work more. (351)

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(Adams and Johnson 351)

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## PARAPHRASE (no line length distinction)

Employers often discriminate against women. Adams feels men only hurt themselves by discriminating against women (351).

-or-

Employers often discriminate against women. Yet men only hurt themselves when they discriminate against women (Adams 351).

## **BOOK—paraphrase (You probably will know page numbers.)**

Discrimination by men against women is illogical because when men are unfair to women, they are participating in a behavior that could be used against family members (Denton 18).

-or-

Scott Denton believes discrimination by men against women is illogical because when men are unfair to women, they are behaving in a way that could be used against family members (18).

### Work Cited

Denton, Scott. *Our Silent Sisters in America and How They Conquered the Indian Tribes*.

Chicago: McGraw-Hill, 2006. Print.

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## **INTERNET—paraphrase (You will not know page numbers.)**

Discrimination by men against women is illogical because when men are unfair to women, they are participating in a behavior that could one day be used against family members (*Jewish*).

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According to the Web site *A Jewish Tradition*, discrimination by men against women is illogical because when men are unfair to women, they are participating in a behavior that could one day be used against family members.

### Work Cited

*A Jewish Tradition*. N.d. N.p. Web. 4 June 2009.

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## **DATABASE—paraphrase (With an *html* you won't know page numbers, but with a *PDF* you will.)**

**HTML:** Discrimination by men against women is illogical because when men are unfair to women, they are displaying a behavior that could one day be used against family members (Tacker).

-or-

**PDF:** Discrimination by men against women is illogical because when men are unfair to women, they are displaying a behavior that could be used against family members (Tacker 14).

### Work Cited

Tacker, John. "Lessons." *Journal* 41.6 (2001): 13-15. *Academic Search Premier*. Web.

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