**First citation in the paper:**

(Author’s Last Name Act. Scene, Line)

(Shakespeare 3.3.165-171)

**All citations after that:**

(Act.Scene.Line)

**Citing 3 or fewer lines, use a slash to indicate line breaks:**

“What light from yonder window breaks, / it is the east and Juliet’s the sun.” (1.2.15-16)

**Citing 4 or more lines, use block format:**

**Indent and return after each line of your quotation**

Your paragraph starts here and continues along and then you come to the quote, so you

Here is the first line

Here is the second line

Here is the third line

Here is the fourth line (Shakespeare 1.1.15-19)

And then the paragraph continues after

**What about if you want to quote dialogue:**

**(Basically, it’s block format, with the character names and stage directions)**

Alcohol makes an early appearance in O'Neill's play. In the very first scene, O'Neill's characters treat alcohol as a pancaea for their ills:

WILLIE. (Pleadingly) Give me a drink, Rocky. Harry said it was all right. God, I need a drink.

ROCKY. Den grab it. It's right under your nose.

WILLIE. (Avidly) Thanks. (He takes the bottle with both twitching hands and tilts it to his lips and gulps down the whiskey in big swallows.) (1.1).

**What format should you use?**

Pick one of the following and stick to it!

MLA 8: cite quotes directly after the quotation

MLA 7: cite quote at the end of the sentence no matter where the quote is