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Embedding Quotes + MLA Format

**It’s NOT OKAY to just “drop” a quote into your writing.**  
 Ex: *A Tale of Two Cities* begins with a series of opposites. “It was the best of times, it was the worst of times.”

**You must EMBED these quotes into sentences of your own words.**

Ex: “It was the best of times, it was the worst of times,” is the first in a series of opposites at the beginning of *A Tale of Two Cities.*

**You must also INCLUDE A PAGE # in the following format:**  
 Ex: “It was the best of times, it was the worst of times,” is the first in a series of opposites at the beginning of *A Tale of Two Cities* (1).

* The page number goes inside parentheses.
* This ALWAYS goes *before* the period at the end of the sentence (even if the quote isn’t at the end of the sentence).

**Directions:** Are the following quotes embedded? Is the page # citation correct?  
1. Carton is described as "the idlest and most unpromising of men." (83) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
2. Charles Darnay is upbeat, fierce, and readily voices his opinion. “‘My friend, I will die, perpetuating the system under which I have lived.’” (120) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. Sydney Carton explains to Darnay why he drinks, “I am a disappointed drudge, sir. I care for no man on earth, and no man on earth cares for me” (page 81). \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
4. When he says, “I shall never be better than I am. I shall sink lower, and be worse,” he describes how his life is a downward spiral (144). \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
5. “It was nothing for her, that an innocent man die for the sins of his forefathers” (350). \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Quotes can be embedded at the beginning, middle, or end of a sentence.**   
  
Beginning:   
 "The idlest and most unpromising of men," Sydney Carton, eventually shows redeeming qualities (83).

Middle:   
 When Carton says, “for you, and for any dear to you, I would do anything,” he proves his selfless   
 love for her (147).

End:   
 His selfless love for her is summed up when he says, “For you, and for any dear to you, I would do  
 anything” (147).

**DO NOT use phrases such as:**  
 - On page 83 it says…  
 - The book says…  
 - In chapter 2, Dickens writes that …

**DO NOT use a quote that is longer than 2 lines.**

**To alter a quote:**  
 - If you want to include the beginning and the end of a quote, but not the middle, use ellipses (…). Example:   
 - If you need to change a word so the sentence flows grammatically, put the change in brackets [ ]. Example:  **Your turn:** Combine the idea and quote into one sentence with the correct page citation at the end. You must try placing the quote in the beginning, middle, and end of the sentence at least one time each.

6. Idea: Carton dislikes Darnay because he represents everything he isn’t.  
 Quote: “he shows what you have fallen away from, and what you might have been!”  
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7. Idea: Mr. Stryver is a pushy, controlling character.   
 Quote: “had a pushing way of shouldering himself (morally and physically) into companies and conversations”  
 Page #: 77  
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8. Idea: The spilt wine on the streets of Saint Antoine foreshadow the bloody revolution to come.   
 Quote: “scrawled upon a wall with his finger diped in muddy wine-lees—BLOOD”  
 Pg #: 28

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9. Idea: Dr. Manette is in poor health.  
 Quote: “he had a white beard, raggedly cut…a hollowness and thinness of his face”  
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10. Idea: Madame Defarge is a suspicious character.   
 Quote: “who leaned against the door-post, knitting, and saw nothing.”  
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