

## In-text Citations and Avoiding Plagiarism

- One of the main focuses of APA style is on citing properly.
- Anytime something you read, watch, or listen to influences what you write, you must provide a citation indicating where the idea originated.
- If you don't give this credit, you are committing plagiarism. Plagiarism violates the CELC policy handbook and can require disciplinary action.
- Citing properly in APA can feel like you're citing all the time. This is normal and a sign you're probably doing it correctly.

	Quote	Paraphrase	Summary
<i>Relationships to original text</i>	Identical	Put a quote in your own words	Put the main ideas into your own words
<i>Length</i>	Specific	Specific	Broad
<i>Citation</i>	Attribute to author	Attribute to author	Attribute to author
<i>Example</i>	"Mr. and Mrs. Dursley, of number four, Privet Drive, were proud to say that they were perfectly normal, thank you very much. They were the last people you'd expect to be involved in anything strange or mysterious, because they just didn't hold with such nonsense" (Rowling, 1999, p.1).	Rowling (1999) opens <i>Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone</i> with the information that the Dursleys pride themselves on their normalcy (p.1).	By beginning her novel with a description of Harry's "normal" Muggle Aunt and Uncle, Rowling (1999) cleverly sets the stage for Harry's invitation to Hogwarts to turn all of their worlds upside down.

