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IN-TEXT CITATIONS

In your paper you might have quotes like these:

Example 1

John Smith notes, “The use of a rational manner in Faulkner’s work is non-existent and becomes irrelevant” (1986, p. 68).

OR

Example 2

Many critics agree that Faulkner is not a rational writer. “The use of a rational manner in Faulkner’s work is non-existent and becomes irrelevant” (Smith, 1986, p. 68).

OR

Example 3

Smith (1986) notes, “The use of a rational manner in Faulkner’s work is non-existent and becomes irrelevant” (p. 68).

Note that in each example, you must include the author’s last name, the exact page number of the quote, and the year of publication. If you are not quoting an exact phrase but are writing about someone else’s idea/s, then you must still give the original author credit. In the following example where another author’s idea is noted, the author’s name and year of publication must still be given. Page numbers are not necessary because it is not a quote, for example:

Faulkner is not a rational writer (Smith, 1986).

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