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Purpose: to attribute credit when we paraphrase or quote information from a source

- Requires the source's author(s) last name(s) and year of publication
- Requires page number(s) of cited material when available (e.g. books, journal articles) for quotations; recommends page numbers for paraphrases
- Prefer paraphrasing over quoting
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One Author

Signal Phrase	McCollough (2001) described John Adams's hands as those of a laborer (p.18).
No Signal Phrase	John Adams had "the hands of a man accustomed to pruning his own trees" (McCollough, 2001, p.18).

Two Authors

Signal Phrase	Carlson and Ventura (1990) wanted to introduce Latin American writers to an audience of English-speaking adolescents (p.v).
No Signal Phrase	The authors wanted to introduce Latin American writers to an audience of English-speaking adolescents (Carlson & Ventura, 1990, p.v).

Three or more Authors

Signal Phrase	Peilen et al. (1990) supported their claims about corporate corruption with startling anecdotal evidence (p.75).
No Signal Phrase	Anecdotal evidence supports these claims about corporate corruption (Peilen et al., 1990, pp. 75-78).

Organization as Author

Signal Phrase	First Citation: The American Psychological Association [APA] (2021) recommends five stress management tools to cope with the pandemic. Subsequent Citations: APA (2021) provides tips to help people calm, focus, relax, ground, and celebrate themselves.
No Signal Phrase	First Citation: Professionals recommend five stress management tools to cope with the pandemic (American Psychological Association [APA], 2021) Subsequent Citations: There are tips to help people calm, focus, relax, ground, and celebrate themselves (APA, 2021).

Indirect Source

Signal Phrase	According to Choueri (2000), Modern Standard Arabic was expected to serve as the "moral glue" holding the Arab world together (as cited in Walters, 2019, p.475).
No Signal Phrase	Thus, Modern Standard Arabic was expected to serve as the "moral glue" holding the Arab world together (Choueri, 2000, as cited in Walters, 2019, p. 475).

Adapted from: Bullock, Richard, Michal Brody, and Francine Weinberg, editors. *The Little Seagull Handbook*. 3rd ed., W. W. Norton, 2016.

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