IN-TEXT CITATIONS

You must provide in-text, parenthetical citations for all items that you use, summarize, or quote in a project. For each source, give the author’s last name and page number. Examples:

Baer and Heron have argued that “social norms evolve in consistent and cyclical patterns” (124).

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Scholars have argued that social norms consistently and cyclically evolve (Baer and Heron 124).

Notice: The period is placed after the parenthetical citation, every time (even with quotation marks!).

Use MLA style to insert in-text citations in the essay excerpt below. Remember: whether information is quoted or paraphrased, the source must be cited with the author’s last name and the page number.

methods. Women turn to assisted reproductive technologies (ART), such as in vitro fertilization (IVF) or surrogate pregnancies, as a last chance for parenting when they have tried everything else. Comedian Tig Notaro survived breast cancer and couldn’t conceive using IVF, yet now expects a baby with her partner via a surrogate pregnancy. Other women take eggs and freeze them until they’re later ready to start a family, despite large financial expense; “Egg freezing costs $5,000 to 15,000 per egg retrieval cycle...[plus] egg banks charge $500 to 800 for a year of cryopreservation.” It’s been argued that the new families formed through ART “tend to be stronger and more highly functioning than naturally

Once you have quoted or paraphrased information in a project and provided in-text citations, then you must include full citations for the sources in your list of Works Cited.

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