

### Citation – A Special Kind of Evil?

#### NOT difficult

Tedious, boring, yes – but not hard

Based on common-sense principles

Follow examples – not about memorization

### Why Do We Need to Cite?

Avoids Plagiarism

Shows that you used legitimate sources

Allows reader to follow your research

### When Do You Need to Cite?

Any information found in the research

Direct quote - source's actual words

Paraphrase - your words, but sources' ideas

Specific data like statistics, examples, evidence, etc.

### Is There Anything Not Cited?

General Knowledge from standard references like encyclopedia or dictionary

Information found in a majority of your sources - also general knowledge

Your analysis/explanation of the information

### Basic Format of Parenthetical Citation

No longer uses footnotes or endnotes

Parentheses ( ) identify source inside the essay

Reference a single full citation at essay's end

These two parts are mutually exclusive

### MLA and APA

MLA - Modern Language Association

APA - American Psychiatric Association

MLA and APA are **more similar** than different  
Differences are mainly in formatting

We will work with BOTH