**In-Text Citations: Author-Page Style**

MLA format follows the author-page method of in-text citation. The author's name may appear either in the sentence itself or in parentheses following the quotation or paraphrase, but the page number(s) should always appear in the parentheses, not in the text of your sentence. For example:

* **Wordsworth stated that Romantic poetry was marked by a "spontaneous overflow of powerful feelings" (263).**
* **Romantic poetry is characterized by the "spontaneous overflow of powerful feelings" (Wordsworth 263).**
* **Wordsworth extensively explored the role of emotion in the creative process (263).**

Also:

* If you are referring to only one text in any given paragraph, once you’ve indicated the author once, you don’t need to again in that paragraph.
* Every reference to an event in a text should have a citation, whether it’s a direct quote or not.
* If an event happens across the course of many pages, indicate that in this way:
  + (West 141-7)
  + (Walker 35, 77)