Citing from the Humanities Textbook

Castiglione

Parenthetical Citation Examples

Example 1

Castiglione believes the courtier should be well-rounded in speech, literature, music, and art:

“For he who is ignorant and has nothing in his mind that merits being heard, can neither say it nor write it” (32; 106-08).

- This sentence starts by using a full-sentence tag – a complete sentence (independent clause). It ends with a colon, and the quoted passage is capitalized.
- This example includes the author’s name (Castiglione) in the signal phrase. Therefore, the parenthetical citation for this source requires only the page number (32) and the line numbers (106-08).
  Note: For the first reference to a source named in a signal phrase, use the source’s full name as given. Subsequent references to the same named source can shorten to the last name only in the signal phrase.
- Notice that a semicolon is used to separate the page number from the line numbers. The end period gets placed after the parenthetical citation.

Example 2

The courtier should be well-rounded in speech, literature, music, and art: “For he who is ignorant and has nothing in his mind that merits being heard, can neither say it nor write it” (Castiglione 32; 106-08).

- This sentence starts by using a full-sentence tag – a complete sentence (independent clause). It ends with a colon, and the quoted passage is capitalized.
- This example does not include the author’s name in the signal phrase. Therefore, the parenthetical citation for this source requires the author’s last name (Castiglione), the page number (32), and the line numbers (106-08).
- Notice that a semicolon is used to separate the page number from the line numbers. However, use just a space (no additional punctuation) between the author’s last name and the page number. The end period gets placed after the parenthetical citation.