Incorporating Quotes

Three Ways to Quote

1. Phrases (2 or more words)

OFTEN

2. Sentences (1 sentence)

SOMETIMES

3. Chunks (3 or more sentences)

NEVER

Incorporating Phrases into Your Own Sentences

1. When you incorporate phrases into your own sentences, the whole sentence (your words and the author's words) must work together to form a proper sentence. WEAVE IT IN.

CORRECT:

The image of a "hole" in the addict's arm symbolizes the damage done his soul.

INCORRECT:

"The needle tears a hole" symbolizes the damage done to the addict's soul.

2. You can change words in the quote by using square brackets []. You can use this to adjust verb tense, noun number and pronouns.

Quote: "The needle tears a hole."

Sentence: The image of the "needle tear[ing] a hole" symbolizes the

damage done to the addict's soul.

Quote: "I hurt myself today."

Sentence: The speaker "hurt[s] [him]self" in the first line, signaling

the destructive theme of the poem.

DO NOT:

- 1. Quote and Run
- 2. Quote Too Much
- 3. Quote Without a Reason