

The following demo follows *A Writer's Reference*, seventh edition, pages 74-77. In this section of the book, the editors show how students can display to their instructors how research was conducted for a formal research paper.

• A basic English assignment consists of finding critical opinions and observations about existing literature.

Jack and Jill ran up the hill
To fetch a pail of water,
Jack fell down and broke his crown,
And Jill came tumbling after.

Summary from Book: this paragraph shows the intentions of the material. Because the purpose here is to show a quick understanding of the *full* published text, parenthetical citations are not necessary—the signal phrase is sufficient.

In the anthology *The Annotated Mother Goose* the editors display a nursery rhyme which portrays two children performing a domestic chore: collecting water from a well. For undefined reasons, an accident occurs causing both Jack and Jill to both stumble and fall down a slope. The verse is set in a basic rhyme formula. The book furthers annotates the rhyme to explain various historical and cultural relevances hidden in the text. An in-depth analysis of the two characters is presented.

Important:

• book titles are always shown in italic, *likewise* movies, magazines, newspapers, database titles, websites, and plays.

Paraphrase from Book Passage: parenthetical citations are necessary in this case because what the student borrowed is a *specific idea* from the published material. This idea is not the student's property and must be cited.

In the anthology *The Annotated Mother Goose*, the editors show in the nursery rhyme "Jack and Jill" how the two title children race to a nearby well in order to gather a bucketful of water, performing their set chores, typical for English farmlife in the sixteenth century (63). The story shows how without warning, Jack stumbles and falls, cracking open his skull. Startled, Jill herself loses her balance, only to likewise roll down the hill, following Jack. The scene acts as a slapstick comedy routine for children's amusement.

Direct Quotation from Book:

In the anthology *The Annotated Mother Goose*, the editors relate how the nursery rhyme "Jack and Jill" describes the story of two children "performing domestic chores" (63). Unfortunately for the two characters, "Jack falls down for an unknowable reason, wounds his forehead, and causes his friend Jill to tumble after him" (63). *At this point the student will insert an interpretation of the quote, as the last sentence in the paragraph.*

Parenthetical citations are obviously necessary in this case because the quoted material is a direct copy from an original source, not from the student's own concepts. Even short phrases must be cited when used from another source.

Direct Quote from Book with Analysis/Interpretation:

In the anthology *The Annotated Mother Goose*, the editors relate how the nursery rhyme "Jack and Jill" describes the story of two children "performing domestic chores" (63). Unfortunately for the two characters, "Jack falls down for an unknowable reason, wounds his forehead, and causes his friend Jill to tumble after him" (63). Nursery rhymes often depict an accidental act in the guise of slapstick comedy for children's amusement. The resulting short scene teaches school children the importance of paying attention their surroundings. It also implies that accidents occur when people are careless and take situations for granted. Jack's tumble results in bodily harm—which he could have avoided.

The analysis is created by the student and thus does not need a citation.

The student's analysis shows the instructor what was gleaned from the book.