

STEPS IN THE RESEARCH PAPER WRITING PROCESS

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IV. WRITING THE ROUGH DRAFT

- Gather all your materials and use the “Research Paper Framework” as a guide to write a first draft.
- Incorporate quotations as well as summaries and paraphrases of information from your sources. Using direct quotes lends authority and credibility to your paper!
- Use ellipsis points (three spaced periods) to show where you have left words, phrases, sections from quoted material. – *Example* : “*Theoretically at least . . . women are the inferior beings*” (Rowling 72)+
- Use square brackets to surround any letters or words you might need to add to a quote to make its meaning clear. –*Example*: “*The king . . .gave the queen the case/ and granted her his {the guilty knight’s} life.*” (Chaucer 240)
- Set off longer quotations as “blocks.”
- **DOCUMENT SOURCES!!!** Give credit where credit is due. See “In-Text Citations” link.
- Include only those sources used within your paper on your Works Cited Page. See “MLA Citation Examples” , and “Works Cited Page” links, as well as the “EasyBib MLA Reference Guide distributed in your English 4 class.

V. PROOFREAD AND REVISE YOUR DRAFTS

VI. PUBLISH YOUR RESEARCH PAPER