

Direct Quotations Quiz (MLA Format)

Name _____

Look carefully at the punctuation and formatting of the following direct quotations and determine whether they are correct. To be considered correct, it must be 100 percent correct. Correct or explain all errors.

1. "America has no trade policy, only an anti-trade policy" (Eason 14). Need lead-in

correctincorrect
2. "Is there any solution to the annihilation which cold war encourages?" Davidson asks (31).

correctincorrect
3. "There is a widely held perception," says Carl Sagan, "that science is too hard for ordinary people" (7).

correctincorrect
4. According to Roland Barth, "New and unusual ideas must be viewed . . .) as signs of life and growth" (513). ELLIPSIS

correctincorrect
5. According to Roland Barth, "New and unusual ideas must be viewed not as nuisances or embarrassments . . ." (513).

correctincorrect
6. Coach Kilcullen exclaims, "This year's team has fantastic potential!" (13).

correctincorrect
7. "The short story ^L "The Open Boat," ^{||} argues critic John Sherman, "mirrors a real-life event of the author" (55). SINGLE QUOTES

correctincorrect
8. Director Betty Evans states, I "it suits the character's temperament perfectly" (27).

correctincorrect
9. In block format if you quote over 4 typed lines you need to indent 10 spaces and omit quotation marks.
10. Assume this is the last line of a quotation in block format:
 Look for opportunities in urban communities. (45)

correctincorrect
11. When do you use a direct quotation rather than a paraphrase or summary?

PRESERVE WELL-PHRASED STATEMENTS OR STATEMENTS
 BY SOMEONE WHO IS WELL KNOWN.
 PRESERVE ACCURACY IF EASILY MISINTERPRETED.
12. If you saw the following parenthetical documentation after a direct quotation, what would it mean? (qtd. in Thomkins 1)

THE AUTHOR OF THE QUOTATION IS DIFFERENT
 FROM THE AUTHOR OF THE ARTICLE