

The Quote Sandwich Method For Integrating Quotes



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Top Bread

Provide context for the quote, and set up what the quote is providing evidence of.

Example:

The dark academia aesthetic, inspired by Donna Tart's novel *The Secret History*, is so pervasive on social media it has emerged into a romanticized subculture thanks to Tumblr and TikTok.

Peanut Butter

Use a signal phrase to introduce the quotation. Use correct punctuation (usually a comma) when shifting between your main discourse and a quotation.

Example:

However, as Krishnakumar points out,

Jelly

Provide the quotation in quotation marks, and include an in-text citation.

Example:

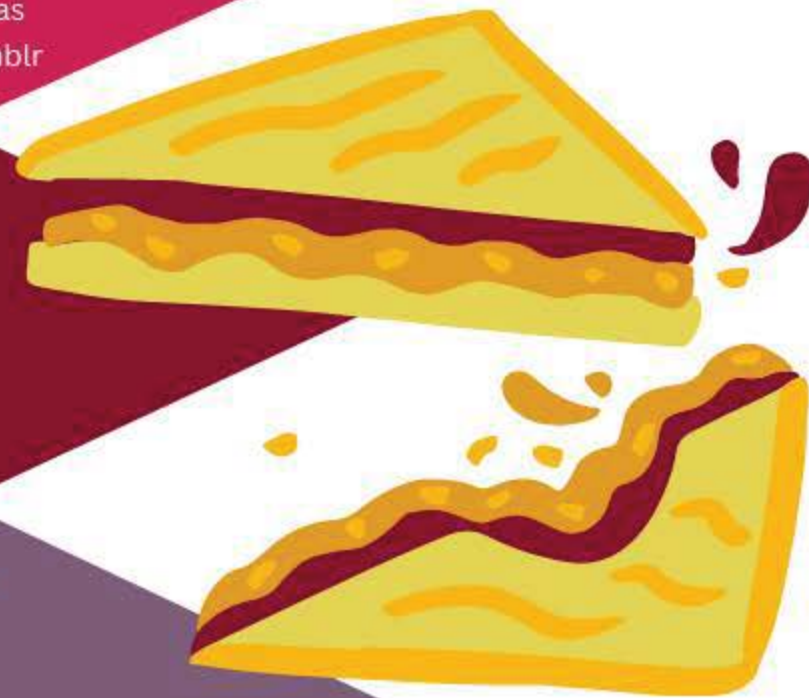
"Dark Academia also tends to romanticize mental illness as well as unhealthy habits like caffeine addiction and a lack of sleep that borders on insomnia" (2020).

Bottom Bread

Explain the significance of the quote, interpreting it and telling the reader how this idea supports and connects to your paper's controlling idea. Ask yourself the question, "Why did I include quote?"

Example:

These unhealthy behaviors are in reality counter to actual academic success.



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