Incorporating Sources into Your Paper

Each direct quotation, paraphrase, or summary should be integrated into your paper with a transition. Do not simply “dump” one into your paragraph. Compare the following examples:

“Dumped” quotation
Many people believe that the residents of homeless shelters are just lazy and unmotivated, but such a view is much too simplistic. “Most people who end up in homeless shelters are suffering from schizophrenia, clinical depression, or post traumatic stress syndrome.”

Quotation with transition
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“Dumped” paraphrase
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Paraphrase with transition
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