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- * Use whenever possible, the rounded or inclined apostrophe (‘ not ’) and the proper quotation marks (“” and ‘’, not "").
- * Use endnotes instead of footnotes.
- * If you are typing words and phrases in a language other than English, include accents and other diacritical marks, if they are available on your system.
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- * If you are using automatic footnotes and/or bibliography software, save, if possible, a backup file consisting of footnotes (reformatted as endnotes), together with the reference list, in case either of these is lost during file transmission/conversion).

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- Confuse the long and short *dashes* with the *hyphen*. The long dash (—), often called the emdash, is used for separating clauses, to denote a break in thought, for emphasis, and so on.

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NOTE ON THE USE OF ITALICS

Italics should be used in the following instances:

- a) For book titles.
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- d) For examples in the text: What is meant by *random selection*? (Note that the question mark next to a word in italics should be italicized as well; this is also true for commas, apostrophes and quotation marks.)
- e) For words that need to be emphasized: The gap between *mead* (beverage) and *mead* (a meadow) is narrow.

QUOTATIONS

Use (double) quotation marks to set off short quotations within the text:

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* What this involves is “a whole body of wisdom, commonplaces, ethical precepts and at a deeper level, unconscious principles of an ethos.”

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Example:

As Swain (1976) wrote,

The French Canadians are making serious attempts to maintain their native language and culture. For the present, this appears to imply a concomitant move towards French unilingualism. The English Canadians, threatened neither by native language loss nor by cultural assimilation, and gradually accepting possible economic and educational advantages to the learning of French, are manifesting an increased interest in acquiring bilingual skills.

ENDNOTES

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More than two decades ago sociologist Arlie Hochschild (1989, p. 4) identified a problem she termed the “stalled revolution.”

... we want to draw attention to the other axes of difference that situate this group (Choo & Ferree, 2010).

Canadian immigrants’ experiences of linguisticism have been examined with a sociological lens (Creese, 2010; Creese & Kambere, 2003).

... objective factors such as the form of the action or its timing are not related to media coverage (Smith et al., 2001; Wilkes, Corrigall-Brown & Myers, 2010).

References

- DO NOT translate names of authors, titles of books or articles or names of publishers that appear in another language in the original work.
- DO translate the names of cities that have English equivalents (e.g., Naples, The Hague) as well as abbreviations such as N^o (Numéro in French; becomes No. in English), réd. rédacteur(s)/trice(s); becomes ed. or eds. and so on.
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- When several references by the same author are provided, write the full name out each time. Do NOT use em dashes or other marks instead.
- Generally, the principal elements of a reference are separated by periods, and a colon separates the place of publication from the publisher’s name.

BOOKS

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WORK PRODUCED BY A COLLECTIVE (country, organization etc.)

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DISSERTATION

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When typing the title of a book in English, the first letters of all nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs and pronouns are capitalized. Only capitalize the first letters of articles, conjunctions and prepositions (no matter what their length) when they appear as the first or last word in the title, or if they appear immediately after a dash or colon: *On the Creation and Use of English Compound*.

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