**Using text based quotes in your quick write response**

(QUOTE SANDWICH)

You cannot just throw a quote into your quick write as its own sentence. You must introduce it first, then state the quote, and finally explain its relevance/significance to the point you’re trying to make. We’ll call this a QUOTE SANDWICH.

1. Introduce the quote:
* *In the text, Bradbury writes, “…….”*
* *According to George Hadley, “…………”*
* *At the end of the story, Peter says, “………….”*
1. State the quote
* *“The lions were coming. And again George Hadley was filled with admiration for the mechanical genius who had conceived this room.”*
* *“Nothing’s too good for our children.”*
1. Explain the relevance/significance of the quote to your point
* *This shows that…*
* *This reveals that…*
* *This quote means…*

**Quick Write Pointers**

* Use the bullets as a checklist
* Indent only ONCE at the beginning of your response. It is only a paragraph you are writing
* Make sure that both details you choose to use as evidence **relate to the topic sentence**
* Make sure that both details you choose to use as evidence are the **STRONGEST** pieces of evidence to select from the story. Ask yourself: *Could I find something better than this in the text to prove my point?* This is called “determining importance” and it is a skill you are expected to master this year.
* Make sure you **explain how both text-based details support the answer to the question**. Do this one at a time. In other words, state the first detail and then explain its significance. Then state the second detail and explain its significance. Your explanation should reflect **thoughtfulness**, **insight** and a **thorough understanding** of the story.
* Check your spelling, capitalization, punctuation, and word usage. There is NO EXCUSE for spelling words incorrectly when they are right in front of you on the page.
* Read over your work OUT LOUD when you finish to catch mistakes with your ear that your eye may have missed.