Quote Check

Sort evidence sentences by their mechanics.

7.L.GC.1.54 "Mechanics: Use conventional capitalization, quotation marks, commas, end punctuation, and parentheses (citations) when incorporating textual evidence. (Continue)"

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CORRECT EVIDENCE

In these direct-quotation examples, put exact borrowed words in quotation marks and include a parenthetical citation. Use correct capitalization and punctuation. A paraphrase uses your own wording and a citation, without quotation marks.

Marta writes, "The lantern glowed at dusk" (Owens 31).

REVISE EVIDENCE

A direct-quotation example needs revision if it lacks a needed quotation mark, citation, capitalization or punctuation. Identify the actual detail to fix; do not add quotation marks around your own paraphrase.

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1 SORT

8 items

For each sentence, circle CORRECT or REVISE, then choose two items and explain which punctuation or citation detail helped you sort each one in Part 2.

1.	The narrator admits, "I was afraid of the storm" (Reed 18).	CORRECT REVISE
2.	Nguyen writes, "The bridge shook in the wind" (Nguyen 42).	CORRECT REVISE
3.	The article states, "Bees pollinate many crops (Patel 7).	CORRECT REVISE
4.	During the debate, Amina argues, "Our town needs more parks" (Lewis 16).	CORRECT REVISE
5.	"The path was narrow." (Hale 11)	CORRECT REVISE
6.	The captain says, "Hold the rope tightly."	CORRECT REVISE
7.	"The map showed a hidden trail" (Cole 9).	CORRECT REVISE
8.	The report explains, "Water levels rose after midnight" (Baker 24).	CORRECT REVISE

2 PROVE IT

Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # _____ **HOW I KNEW** _____

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3 MAKE YOUR OWN

One of each

Write one new CORRECT evidence sentence and one new REVISE evidence sentence.

CORRECT _____

REVISE _____

CHALLENGE

Write a sentence that introduces a quotation with a signal phrase and a parenthetical citation, then write a second sentence explaining what the quotation shows.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	The narrator admits, "I was afraid of the storm" (Reed 18).	**CORRECT**	The quotation has quotation marks, a comma after its signal phrase and before the quotation, a citation, and end punctuation after the citation.
2	Nguyen writes, "The bridge shook in the wind" (Nguyen 42).	**CORRECT**	The quotation is correctly introduced, quoted, cited, and punctuated.
3	The article states, "Bees pollinate many crops (Patel 7).	**REVISE**	The opening quotation mark indicates a direct quotation, but the closing quotation mark is missing. Add it after crops, before the citation.
4	During the debate, Amina argues, "Our town needs more parks" (Lewis 16).	**CORRECT**	The sentence correctly uses capitalization, a comma, quotation marks, a citation, and end punctuation.
5	"The path was narrow." (Hale 11)	**REVISE**	The period should come after the parenthetical citation, not before it.
6	The captain says, "Hold the rope tightly."	**REVISE**	The direct quotation needs a parenthetical citation.
7	"The map showed a hidden trail" (Cole 9).	**CORRECT**	The quotation marks, citation, and final period are correctly placed.
8	The report explains, "Water levels rose after midnight" (Baker 24).	**CORRECT**	The sentence correctly introduces and cites the direct quotation.

PART 2 · PROVE IT

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 · MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **CORRECT**: The biography reports, "Lena practiced every morning" (Singh 12).
- **REVISE**: The curator says, "The painting is from 1890." (Morris 6)

Challenge: The scientist observes, "The glacier is melting quickly" (Kim 27). This quotation shows that the glacier is shrinking.

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item. For Part 2, accept explanations that name the relevant feature, such as quotation marks, a comma before a quotation, citation placement, or end punctuation. In Part 3, the REVISE sentence should contain a clear mechanics error in an evidence sentence. The REVISE model puts the period inside the quoted statement and omits final punctuation after the citation; repair it as: The curator says, "The painting is from 1890" (Morris 6). Independently worded paraphrases may be cited without quotation marks; absence of quotation marks alone does not prove a fault.