Credit Clues

Trace borrowed facts to their sources.

6.R.1.F "Give credit for information quoted or paraphrased using standard citations (e.g., author, article title, webpage, and publication date)."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline each borrowed Apollo 11 fact or exact quoted wording. Circle each citation or source note that tells readers where borrowed information came from.

Following the Evidence

1. When writers use facts from a source, they must show readers where the facts came from. A citation is a brief source note attached to borrowed information. It helps a reader check the evidence and find the original source. For example, a report about the Moon might state that Apollo 11 carried Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin, and Michael Collins. That fact needs a source credit, even when the writer puts the idea into new words rather than using an exact quotation.

2. Here is a model of a paraphrase with a citation. A writer could explain that two Apollo 11 astronauts became the first people to land on the Moon, then add this source note: (NASA, "Apollo 11 Mission Overview," July 8, 2009). The sentence uses different wording from the source, but the note gives credit. A reader can use the organization name, article title, and date to search for the original webpage. It also shows that a citation belongs close to the borrowed idea.

3. Sometimes a writer quotes exact words. Quotation marks show the words are copied, but quotation marks alone do not name the source. A citation is still needed. On a webpage, the organization or author, the page's title, and the publication date can identify the source. If a date is missing, writers may use "n.d." for no date. Giving enough details lets another person locate the source and judge its reliability. This practice respects the work of the people who created the information.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. The Apollo 11 sentence in paragraph 2 uses new wording. What is this called, and what must appear with it?

2. Why are quotation marks alone not enough when you use exact words from a source?

3. Imagine a source note says only "NASA, July 8, 2009." Which helpful detail from paragraph 2 is missing, and how would it help a reader?

4. What can you write in a citation when a webpage has no publication date?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Use the source card to write two sentences. In the first sentence, paraphrase the fact. In the second sentence, give credit by naming the organization, article title, webpage, and publication date. Source card Fact: The James Webb Space Telescope captured an image of the Phantom Galaxy, also called M74, about 32 million light-years from Earth. Organization: NASA Article title: "NASA's Webb Delivers Unprecedented Look into Heart of the Phantom Galaxy" Webpage: NASA Publication date: August 29, 2022

ANSWER KEY

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GRADE 6 · 6.R.1.F

PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline each borrowed Apollo 11 fact or exact quoted wording. Circle each citation or source note that tells readers where borrowed information came from. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	The Apollo 11 sentence in paragraph 2 uses new wording. What is this called, and what must appear with it?	**It is a paraphrase, and it must have a citation or source note.**
2	Why are quotation marks alone not enough when you use exact words from a source?	**They show that words were copied, but they do not name the source. A citation is still needed.**
3	Imagine a source note says only "NASA, July 8, 2009." Which helpful detail from paragraph 2 is missing, and how would it help a reader?	**The article title, "Apollo 11 Mission Overview," is missing. It would help the reader search for the original webpage.**
4	What can you write in a citation when a webpage has no publication date?	**Write "n.d." for no date.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Webb captured an image of M74, a galaxy roughly 32 million light-years from Earth. This information comes from NASA's article "NASA's Webb Delivers Unprecedented Look into Heart of the Phantom Galaxy," published on the NASA webpage on August 29, 2022.

Accept an accurate paraphrase that changes the source card's wording without changing its meaning. The credit sentence should include NASA, the article title, the NASA webpage, and August 29, 2022.