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Do you cite EVERYTHING?

Rule: Common knowledge is not cited.

Guideline: Use common sense and ethics. Not sure? Ask your teacher or cite it - better safe than sorry.

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McGuire clearly articulated this theory in her research (215).

This point was previously argued (McGuire 215).

Sample Templates for *Introducing Quotations*

- According to X, “_____” (_____).
- In her book, _____, X maintains “_____” (_____).
- In X's view, “_____” (_____).
- X dis/agrees when s/he writes, “_____” (_____).
- X admits “_____” (_____).

Sample Templates for *Explaining Quotations*

- Basically, X claims_____.
- In other words, X believes _____.
- This argument reveals _____.
- X's point exposes _____.
- Ultimately, X believes _____.

What if...

No Author but an Organization

According to the American Psychological Association (2000),...

Authors With the Same Last Name

(E. Johnson, 2001; L. Johnson, 1998).

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(Hall, 2001, para. 5).

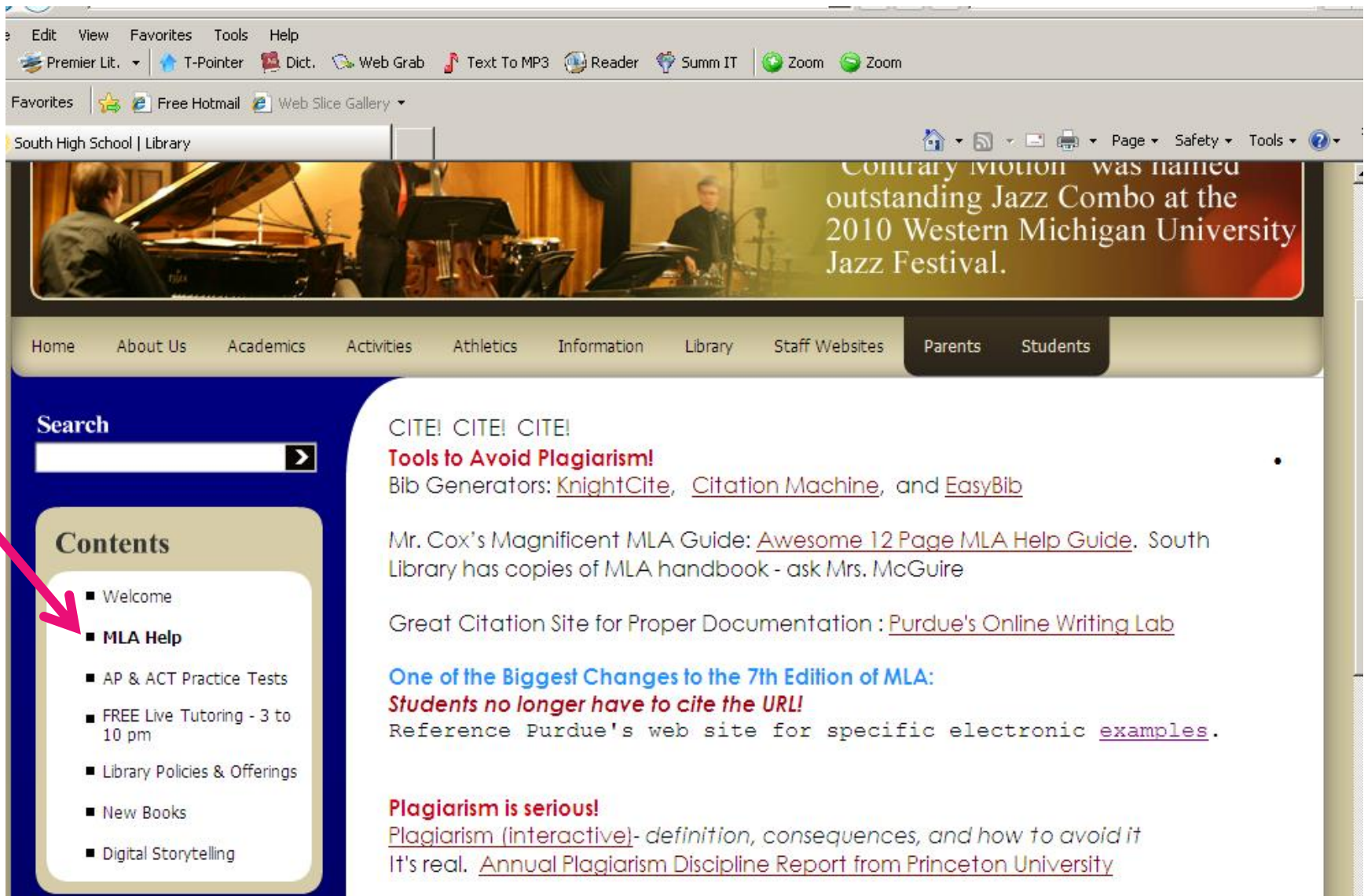
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Wordsworth stated that Romantic poetry was marked by a "spontaneous overflow of powerful feelings" (263).

Romantic poetry is characterized by the "spontaneous overflow of powerful feelings" (**Wordsworth 263**).

Wordsworth extensively explored the role of emotion in the creative process (263).

When all else fails, reference...



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