**HOW DOES CITATION WORK IN A DISCUSSION?**

Because the conversation would be happening in real time, we could point to the materials or easily reference something we just saw together.

**WHY SHOULD YOU CITE IN ONLINE DISCUSSIONS?**

- **CITATIONS LET OTHERS KNOW YOU’VE DONE YOUR HOMEWORK**
- **CITATIONS ARE A WAY TO PROVIDE EVIDENCE**
- **A QUICK CITATION LETS YOUR CLASSMATES KNOW THAT YOU ARE REFERENCING OR SUMMARIZING THE TEXT**

**HOW DO YOU CITE SOURCES IN AN ONLINE DISCUSSION?**

Inline citations look like (Steinberg, 2015) or As Steinberg (2015) discussed...

You can also cite popular articles, as well as videos: (Human Body, Episode 4, 2015)

If you are bringing in a new source providing your classmates a hyperlink is helpful.

A full bibliography (or “sources cited” section) is usually not required in discussions.

... Unless you are citing a new source which was not in the readings or elsewhere in the course previously.

If you are unsure as to how you should cite sources, you can always chat with a librarian at the Oregon State University Library website. Purdue University’s Online Writing Lab (OWL) is also an excellent resource.

And as always, if in doubt feel free to ask your teacher!