

## MLA in-text citations, italics, quotations, and just plain fun!

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The following sentences are . . . a mess. Please correct them. Make sure you pay attention to all the details in each sentence. **Mark clearly.** If you want to put something in italics, draw a squiggly line beneath the words. Naturally, there is one example with poor grammar. If you locate and indicate it properly, you will receive one extra point.

1. In his award winning book *Totally TV*, author J.C. Willis presents his premise in the first line of the text "it sure is important to watch television" (J.C. Willis 44).
2. J.C. Willis is a big fan of television, and that's clear when he says "the best thing that has happened to our society is the box that talks." (44).
3. Television is a tool that will enhance every toddler's learning experience. Willis claims that children learn valuable social skills from shows such as *The Simpsons* and *Family Guy* (Willis, 44).
4. In his best selling short story, *Flings, Blings, and Things*, Oscar White states that "Sebastian always wore his bling shiny side down; he was such a modest guy". (234)
5. Misty Dawn wrote that beautiful line of poetry "Sunshine in my heart is like warm toast on my plate (3)."
6. Thomas said, "Bob is drive far away today;" therefore, we did not expect him for supper.
7. "Take the money and run". That's what the thief always says.
8. The final line of Woods' hefty book, *Who Dey*, brings me to tears: "They done beat them Bengals, (Woods, 1099)".
9. "Let them eat dirt" (Woods, 22), is an example of a sports figure implementing metaphor.