Tips for Integrating Quotations Handout

Step 1: Select a quotation you would like to integrate into your piece.

 Example: "A desperate Congress gave him carte blanche and rubber-stamped his proposals in order to expedite the reforms. During the first 100 days of his presidency, a never-ending stream of bills was passed, to relieve poverty, reduce unemployment, and speed economic recovery." ("The New Deal")

Step 2: Select a word, or several words, from that quotation that carry significant ideas.

Example: "desperate Congress," "expedite the reforms," "first 100 days," "never-ending steam
of bills was passed," "to relieve poverty, reduce unemployment, and speed economic recovery"
("The New Deal")

Step 3: Compose a sentence that includes those words and the point you want to make. Include your thoughts to give the quotation context and demonstrate why the quote is relevant to the topic, subtopic, or claim in your informative paper. There are several ways to do this, and the punctuation rules differ depending on the context.

