

Using the hamburger analogy to cite research information

Top Bun—The Set UP: Before inserting quote, statistic, data, fact or info...

- Identifies source
- Explains context of researched information
- Provides necessary background info reader needs
- Or a combination of the above

The MEAT: Inserting the quote, statistic, data, fact or info...

- State the quote, statistic, data, fact or info
- Cite source for the above
- Include sentence(s) that explain the fact, putting it in context for your reader AND/OR elaborate on the fact explaining why you are using it and how it supports your topic sentence.

Bottom Bun — The Clincher: Tie up the loose ends

- Write one to two sentences of YOUR OPINION that do the following:
 - State how the fact proves your topic sentence and therefore your thesis.
 - State why the fact, etc. is significant and important to your overall arguments.