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Here is a sample paragraph from a literature review about sexism and language demonstrating paraphrasing and quoting using MLA citation style:

Now in its fourth season, the *Antiques Roadshow* is the Public Broadcasting System’s top-rated show, attracting 10 million viewers each week (Prisant 109). Milford (D-10) argues that “media hype” surrounding the *Roadshow* has swelled the ranks of collectors who scramble into their basements and attics looking for items that might be worth a tidy sum. However, there are deeper reasons why these participants become collectors. The true function of the *Roadshow* is to acquaint and reacquaint us with the joys of collecting. Unfortunately, this joy is mitigated by appraisers appearing on the *Roadshow* who are the “magical agents” that reveal what Baudrillard would call “the passion for the code” (79). Once an item discovered at a yard sale or received from a relative becomes collectible, it becomes a valuable object. Based on an earlier analysis, Bishop found the participants on the *Roadshow* are not given a chance to hold onto their items for sentimental value. They are encouraged by the appraisers to focus on the amount of money the item is worth. As Best and Kellner (11) contend, the true characteristics of a collectible item are destroyed by the appraisal of its dollar value. It no longer has any meaning beyond what another collector is willing to pay for it.