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Internal Citation Examples:

Even though the United States had broken the Japanese code, "U.S. commanders had no idea that Pearl Harbor was a specific target" (Shirer 272). --This is an example of a direct quote

Relations between the Japanese and the United States were deteriorating. The breakdown began in 1931 when Japanese army extremists, in defiance of government policy, invaded and overran the northern-most Chinese province of Manchuria ("Day"). --This is an example of a paraphrase/summary of info

Bibliog. Entries that match with the internal citations above:

"The Day of Infamy." *World War II: Valor in the Pacific*. National Parks Service. 25 July 2006. http://www.nps.gov/valr/historyculture/stories.htm. Accessed on 12 Oct. 2016.

Shirer, Frank R. "Pearl Harbor." *Dictionary of American History*. Ed. Stanley I. Kutler. 3rd ed. Vol. 6. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 2003. 271-273. *Gale Virtual Reference Library*. http://go.galegroup.com. Accessed 17 Oct. 2016.

In general, **use the first item in the citation** to show source for your internal citations (skip the, an, a).

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