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Smith (1983) compared reaction times...

In a recent study of reaction times (Smith, 1983)...

In 1983 Smith compared reaction times...

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Smith, Doe, and Jones (1983) compared reaction times...

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In 1983 Smith, Doe, and Jones compared reaction times...

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Three examples of how you could cite the same quote by Miele:

Miele (1993) found that "The placebo effect...disappeared when..." (p. 276)

She stated, "The placebo effect...disappeared when studied" (Miele, 1993, p. 276)

Miele (1993) found the following: "The placebo effect, which had been verified in previous studies, disappeared..." (p. 276)

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They stated, "The placebo effect...disappeared when studied" (Miele, Kay, and Fife, 1993, p. 276)

Miele, Kay, and Fife (1993) found the following: "The placebo effect, which had been verified in previous studies, disappeared..." (p. 276)

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According to the *APA Publication Manual* (2001) "personal communications may be letters, memos, ... personal interviews... and the like. Because they do not provide recoverable data, personal communications are not included in the reference list. Cite personal communications in the text only." (p. 214) Following are samples as they should appear in text of your paper:
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Lehman, M. A. & Brown, R. H. (1994). *Intellectual property and the national information infrastructure*. Retrieved January 22, 2002, from <http://www.uspto.gov/nii/ipwg.html>

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