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Last name of author and the page number is placed in parentheses at the end of your quote. Like this:

“There are two basic types of people, happy people and unhappy people” (Smith 34).

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Anne states that, ”there are two types of people, happy people and unhappy people” (34).

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