

Exercise in punctuation for in-text citations and quotations

Directions: Insert correct punctuation in the following quotations.

1. Complete sentence quoted: In *Experiment in Autobiography*, H. G. Wells recounts the time when he contracted tuberculosis and thought he was going to die. He states I was exasperated not to have become famous; not to have seen the world.
2. Partial sentence quoted: In *Experiment in Autobiography*, H. G. Wells writes that when he contracted tuberculosis and thought he was going to die, he was exasperated not to have become famous; not to have seen the world.
3. Partial sentence quoted with a break in the middle: In *Experiment in Autobiography*, H. G. Wells writes that when he contracted tuberculosis and thought he was going to die, he was exasperated not to have seen the world.
4. A paraphrase of the original quotation: In *Experiment in Autobiography*, H. G. Wells remembers contracting tuberculosis and facing the possibility of death. He writes that he was disappointed to die so young, not having expanded his horizons or achieved fame.

Answers

1. Complete sentence quoted: In *Experiment in Autobiography*, H. G. Wells recounts the time when he contracted tuberculosis and thought he was going to die. He states, “I was exasperated not to have become famous; not to have seen the world.”
2. Partial sentence quoted: In *Experiment in Autobiography*, H. G. Wells writes that when he contracted tuberculosis and thought he was going to die, he “was exasperated not to have become famous; not to have seen the world.”
3. Partial sentence quoted with a break in the middle: In *Experiment in Autobiography*, H. G. Wells writes that when he contracted tuberculosis and thought he was going to die, he “was exasperated not to have . . . seen the world.”
4. A paraphrase of the original quotation: In *Experiment in Autobiography*, H. G. Wells remembers contracting tuberculosis and facing the possibility of death. He writes that he was disappointed to die so young, not having expanded his horizons or achieved fame. [No correction needed.]