**Shortening Quotes**

1. Choose a quote that best fits which idea you would like to convey
2. Condense the quote to \_\_ or less words (Short, sweet, and **specific)**
3. Identify and underline the quote’s important subjects to answer the question
4. Ask yourself HOW and WHY the author writes this to help further explanations, and then identify the **3 main points** the author makes about the subjects

Step 1

**Example:** “Poker shouldn’t be played in a house with women” (63).

Step 2

“Poker shouldn’t be played… with women” (63).

Step 3

Explanation: (Does not necessarily have to be this length)

* Suggests unequal treatment of women during the play’s era
* **Men believed that women did not deserve to play poker because of their inferiority**
* Women wanted to play poker
* Women wanted equal treatment
* Power struggle between men and women
* **Changing times suggest women about to become more independent**
* In correspondence to the time period, feminism took root for the first time in years
* **The author supports feminism**

1. “We’ve got to get hold of some money, that’s the way out” (75).

Step 1

Step 2

Explanation: (Hint: ask yourself **why** and **how**? (Provide the meaning))

Step 3

1. “Remember what Huey Long said- ‘Every Man is a King!’ And I am the king around here”(131).

Step 2

Step 1

Explanation: (Hint: ask yourself **why** and **how**? (Provide the meaning))

Step 3