

# How to Quote on Reddit Mobile (Android & iPhone)

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## Quick answer

To quote on Reddit mobile, paste the text into your reply and add a > directly in front of it (no space) to format it as a quote. On Android you can highlight the text and tap Quote; on iPhone use ... > Copy Text, paste, then add > and trim.

## Key points

The article explains that quoting on Reddit mobile can feel frustrating because the app doesn't make it obvious how to highlight and reply to specific parts of a comment like the desktop site does, but it's simple once you know Reddit's hidden Markdown trick. The universal method works on any phone: copy the text you want to quote, paste it into your reply, and place a greater-than symbol (>) immediately before the quote with no space (for example, ">This is a quote."). On Android, there's an easier built-in option where you highlight the comment text and choose "Quote" from the menu. On iOS, it's more manual: tap the "..." menu, use "Copy Text," paste it into your reply, and then add the ">" yourself.

If you've ever tried to quote a specific part of a comment on the Reddit app, you know how frustrating it can be. Unlike the desktop site, the mobile app doesn't always make it obvious how to highlight and reply to specific text. The good news is that quoting is easy once you know a simple hidden trick called Markdown.

## Quick Answers: How to Quote on Reddit Mobile

- The Universal Method: Copy the text you want to quote, paste it into your reply, and put a greater-than symbol ( > ) before it.
- The Easy Way (Android): Highlight the text in the comment > select Quote from the menu.
- The Hard Way (iOS): Tap the ... menu > Copy Text > Paste it > Add > manually.

## The Manual Way: Using the "Greater-Than" Symbol

No matter which phone you use, this method always works. Reddit uses a formatting system called "Markdown," where specific symbols change how text looks. To turn regular text into a quote block (the text with the gray line next to it), you just need one symbol.

How to do it:

- Copy the text you want to quote.
- Paste it into your reply box.
- Type a greater-than symbol ( > ) immediately before the text starts.
- Important: Do not put a space between the symbol and the text.

Example: If you type: '>This is a quote.'

It will look like this when posted:

Quote: This is a quote.

## How to Stop Quoting

If you keep typing after the quote, your reply will also look like it's part of the quote. To fix this, you need to "break" the formatting.

\* Hit Enter or Return twice after the quoted text. \* This creates a blank space and tells the app to go back to normal text.

## How to Quote on Android

If you are on Android, you are in luck. The app has a built-in shortcut that makes this much faster than on iPhone.

\* Long-press the text of the comment you want to reply to. \* Adjust the highlight handles to select exactly what you want. \* A menu will pop up. Tap Quote. \* The app will automatically open a reply window with the text already formatted for you.

## How to Quote on iPhone (iOS)

iPhone users have a harder time because long-pressing a comment usually collapses the thread instead of highlighting the text. You have to use a workaround.

The "Copy Text" Method: \* Tap the three dots (...) under the comment you want to quote. \* Select Copy Text. (Note: This copies the entire comment). \* Tap Reply. \* Type > and paste the text. \* Manually delete the parts of the comment you don't want to include.

## How to Quote an Original Post (OP)

Sometimes you want to quote the main post (the OP) rather than a comment. Paradoxically, the app often blocks you from selecting text in the main post.

The "Reference Pane" Trick: 1. Don't try to copy text from the main feed. 2. Tap the Reply button on the main post first. 3. Look at the top of your screen; you will often see the original post text there. 4. Long-press and select the text from that top area-it is usually selectable there even if it wasn't before. 5. Copy it and use the > method to format it.

## Advanced: Quoting Multiple Paragraphs

If you are quoting a long argument with multiple paragraphs, simply putting a > at the very beginning won't work. The formatting stops as soon as it hits a line break.

To fix this, you must add a > at the start of every new paragraph and empty line.

Don't do this: '>Paragraph one.'

Paragraph two.

Do this instead: '>Paragraph one. > >Paragraph two.'

## Conclusion

While Reddit's mobile app makes quoting trickier than it needs to be, the "Greater-Than" symbol is your best friend. For the fastest results, memorize the > shortcut, and remember to hit Enter twice to separate your reply from the quote. Android users can rely on the highlight menu, while iOS users are stuck with the copy-paste method for now.