Now It’s Your Turn…

Exercise: Consider the rules for introducing and punctuating quotations and correct the following sentences. Please use the original passage as a reference as you are making your corrections.

Original passage:
Community, which has taken many structural forms in the past, is best defined as a network of social relations marked by mutuality and emotional bonds. This network, or what Kai T. Erikson refers to as the “human surround,” is the essence of community, and it may or may not be coterminous with a specific, contiguous territory. The New England town was a community, but it was not a definition of a community. Similarly, a family, a neighborhood, a group of friends, or a class can be a community without providing a definition of the concept. One must keep an open stance toward the various structural norms that might be contained in a community. A definition of community must, therefore, be independent of particular structures.

— “The Meanings of Community” by Thomas Bender

1. In The Meanings of Community by Thomas Bender argues that communities take many forms.

2. In The Meanings of Community, from his book Toward an Urban Vision, Thomas Bender discusses the various shapes communities may take.

3. He states one must keep an open stance toward the various forms that might contain community. A definition of community must, therefore, be independent of particular structures.

4. Bender characterizes community as a network of social relations marked by mutuality and emotional bonds.
5. Thomas Bender, in *The Meanings of Community*, states that, “Community is best defined as a network of social relations marked by mutuality and emotional bonds. This is the essence of community.”

6. While other definitions of community exist, Thomas Bender believes that, “Community…is best defined as a network of social relations marked by mutuality and emotional bonds. This network, or what Kai T. Erikson refers to as the “human surround,” is the essence of community.”

7. Bender notes that while towns are often communities, they “was not a definition of community.”

8. As Bender writes, “Community, which has taken many structural forms in the past, is best defined as a network of social relations marked by mutuality and emotional bonds. This network…is the essence of community, and it may or may not be coterminous with a specific, contiguous territory. The New England town was a community, but it was not a definition of a community. Similarly, a family, a neighborhood, a group of friends, or a class can be a community without providing a definition of the concept. One must keep an open stance toward the various structural norms that might be contained in a community.”