MLA 7 Citation Samples

Books

Printed books, one author

Format:

Example:
Kettlewell, Caroline. Electric Dreams: One Unlikely Team of Kids and the Race to Build the Car of the Future.


Printed books, 2 or 3 authors [4+ authors, use et al. after the first author’s name]

Format:

Example:
Byatt, Andrew, Alastair Forthegill, and Martha Holmes. The Blue Planet: A Natural History of the Oceans.


Printed books, one editor [multiple editors follow the same form as authors]

Format:
Editor, ed. Title. Edition statement if not the first edition. City of publication: Publisher, Publication Year. Medium.

Example:
Electronic books, one author

Format:

*Database name*. Medium. Date of access.

Example:

Journal and Magazine Articles

Electronic journal and magazine articles from a subscription database

Format:
Author. “Article title.” *Title of publication* EITHER volume.issue (Publication year) OR day month year: Page range, starting page with hyphen, OR total pages. *Database name*. Medium. Date of access.

Example:

Electronic journal and magazine articles from the Internet

Format:
Author (if any). “Article Title.” *Title of online publication* EITHER volume.issue (Publication year) OR day month year: Page range, starting page with hyphen, OR total pages. Medium. Date of access.

Example:
Printed journal articles with a volume number and no issue number

Format:

Example:

Printed journal articles with volume and issue numbers

Format:

Example:

Printed magazine articles with a date and no volume or issue numbers

Format:
Author. “Article title.” *Title of publication* Date of issue: page-page. Medium.

Example:

Newspaper Articles

Electronic newspaper articles from a subscription database

Format:
Author (if any). “Article title.” *Title of newspaper* Publication day month year: Page range, starting page with hyphen, OR total pages. *Database name*. Medium. Date of access.

Example:
Printed newspaper articles

Format:
Author (if any). “Article title.” Title of newspaper Date of issue, edition (if any): page-page. Medium.

Example:

Print.

Encyclopedia and Dictionary Articles

Electronic encyclopedia and dictionary articles

Format:
Author (if any). “Article title.” Title of publication. Editor (if any). Version number (if any). Date of electronic publication or last update. Database name. Medium. Date of access.

Examples:


Printed encyclopedia articles, signed and unsigned

Format:
Author (if any). “Title of article.” Title of encyclopedia. City of publication: Publisher, Publication year.

Medium.

Examples:

Web Sources

Web sites

Format:
Author (if any). Title of entire Web site. Editor (if any). Version number (if any). Publishing institution or organization, Date of page OR last update. Medium. Date of access. <complete URL if page cannot be accessed using a search engine>.

Examples:


Web pages

Format:
Author (if any). “Title of Web page.” Editor (if any). Version number (if any). Title of entire Web site. Publishing institution or organization, Date of page OR last update. Medium. Date of access. <complete URL if page cannot be accessed using a search engine>.

Examples:


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