### The List of Core Elements:

MLA 8 requires researchers to locate all “core elements” provided for a source and list them in the following order with the accompanying punctuation:

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<th>Element</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. Author.</td>
<td>The person or organization that created the source</td>
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<td>2. Title of Source.</td>
<td>The specific name of the source. Book titles are in italics but article titles, chapter titles, episode titles, etc. are in quotation marks.</td>
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<td>3. Title of Container,</td>
<td>When the source forms a part of a larger whole, the larger whole can be thought of as a container that holds the source.</td>
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<td>4. Other Contributors,</td>
<td>Editors, directors, translators, narrators, performers</td>
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<td>5. Version,</td>
<td>Edition [updated, expanded, 7th, etc.], cut [film], version [King James]</td>
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<td>6. Number,</td>
<td>Volume, number – vol. 1, no. 5</td>
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<td>7. Publisher,</td>
<td>Organization responsible for producing the source</td>
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<td>8. Publication Date,</td>
<td>Date that the source/container was published</td>
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<td>9. Location.</td>
<td>Page number, chapter, section, DOI, website URL or permalink</td>
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#### Article (Web Page) on a Web Site


#### Website (Whole Site)

*The Purdue OWL Family of Sites.* The Writing Lab and OWL at Purdue and Purdue U, 2008, owl.english.purdue.edu/owl.

#### Article in an Online Library Database


**Note:** When including a URL, omit the http:// and https://

#### Video


#### Book, Single Author


#### Book, Two Authors


**NOTE:** Authors should be listed in the order they are listed on the title page.

#### Book, Three or More Authors


#### Book, with Translator or other contributors


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#### A work (e.g., essay, short story) in an anthology or compilation.


#### Personal Interview

Smith, Jane. Personal interview. 19 May 2014.

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