

MLA Guidelines—Works Cited*

RULES TO REMEMBER:

- **Only list sources you have actually used.**
- **Each line is double-spaced.**
- **ENTRIES ARE NOT NUMBERED!**
- List entries alphabetically according to the author's last name. If there is no author, use the first important word of the title. (ignore A An The if the first word of a title)
- The bibliography must be on a page by itself, with the words "Works Cited" centered at the top of the page.
- Do not indent the first line of each entry, but each of the following lines should be indented.
- This is called reverse indentation. NOTE: Not every entry will have more than one line!
- Every entry must have a designation of publication type i.e. Print. Web. DVD.
- When source has no author or editor, begin with next part of entry.
- **BE CAREFUL WITH YOUR PUNCTUATION!**

SAMPLE ENTRIES:

Book with One Author— (for **two authors** begin with: Tannen, Deborah, and Susan Powers.)

Author's last name, first name. *Book Title*. City of publication: Publisher, year published. Print.

Tannen, Deborah. *The Argument Culture*. New York: Random, 1998. Print.

Book with Three Authors— (**four or more authors**: cite only the first author followed by , et al.)

Short, Kathy, Elizabeth Thomas, and Lois Bird. *A Way of Knowing*. Peoria, IL: Stenthouse, 1997. Print.

Book with No Author-- Use Editor's Name-- (for more than one editor—use eds.)

Kitchen, Judith L., ed. *A Collection of Nonfiction*. New York: Norton, 1996. Print.

Signed Article in a Specialized Reference Book-- (if unsigned, begin with article title)—

Leonard, David J. "College Sports." *Social Issues in America: An Encyclopedia*. Ed. James Ciment. Vol. 2. Armonk, NY: Sharpe, 2006. Print.

Magazine or Journal Article Reprinted in Another Source:

Author of Article (if given). "Title of Article." *Title of Magazine or Journal* Vol. #. Issue # date of issue: page(s) (if given). Rpt. in *Title of Work Containing the Reprint*. Editor. Place of Publication: Publisher, Copyright Date. page(s). Print.

CaPece, Elokin. "Commentary on the Review of Comprehensive Sex Education Curricula (2007)" 3.3 Sept. 2008: 295-312. Rpt. in *Taking Sides: Clashing Views in Human Sexuality*. Ed. William J. Taverner. New York: McGraw-Hill, 2010. 105-117. Print.

Online Database (book)— (use book samples/add Database name/replace Print with Web/add date accessed)

"Building the Panama Canal." *American Decades*. Ed. Judith S. Baughman. Vol. 2: 1910-1919. Detroit: Gale, 2001. *Gale Virtual Reference Library*. Web. 13 Nov. 2012.

Online Database (periodical) with Two Authors—

First author's last name, first name, and second author's first name last name. "Article Title."
↓ Magazine/Newspaper Day Month Year: Page(s). Database. Web. Day Month Year Accessed.

Breslau, Karen, and David Wolman. "The Sleeping Giant Slowly Wakes." *Newsweek* 11 Oct. 2004: 38. *EBSCO MAS Ultra*. Web. 10 Mar. 2009.

Website-- (Note: also use for on-line article taken directly from a newspaper or magazine website i.e. pjstar.com)

Author's last name, first name. "Website Article Title." Website Name. Day Month Year Published.
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Friedland, Lois. "Top 10 Wildlife Adventure Travel Trips." *Wilderness Travel*. 15 Oct. 2008. Web. 25 Sept. 2012.

Documentary (on web)—

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*For additional information, see *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers* (available in the LCHS Library), the [Purdue University Owl](http://www.purdue.edu/owl) website or your English teacher.