

MLA 8 Citation Examples Sheet

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- No author for your source? Start your bib card with the article title.
- Abbreviations: "p." = page, "pp." = page range, "ed." = edition, "vol." = volume, "no." = issue, "edited by" = editor, (If citing a section of the book), "editor" = editor (If no author and citing entire book)

DATABASES WITH VARIOUS SOURCE TYPES BOOK, REFERENCE, MAGAZINE, JOURNAL, NEWSPAPER

Book or Reference Source in a Database

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Chapter or Section Title." *Title of Book: Subtitle of Book*, Editor, Edition, Volume, Publisher, Publication Date, Pages. *Name of Database*.

Facts On File

Besemer, Glen. "Panama Canal." *Encyclopedia of American History: The Emergence of Modern America*, edited by Elizabeth Fae, 2nd ed., vol. 7, McGraw Hill, 2012, pp. 142-45. *American History Online*.

Examples

Editor, No Author:

"Chapter or Section Title." *Title of Book: Subtitle of Book*, edited by Editor's First Name Last Name, Edition, Volume, Publisher, Publication Date, Pages. *Name of Database*.

Gale Virtual Reference Library

"Funny is Funny." *Adam Sandler*, edited by Dwayne Epstein, Lucent Books, 2004, pp. 20-25. *Gale Virtual Reference Library*.

Magazine in a Database

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Article Title." *Title of Magazine*, Volume, Issue, Publication Date, Pages. *Name of Database*.

Example:

Gale – In Context

Bailey, Ronald. "A Beautiful Oil Spill." *Reason*, vol. 5, no. 2, Aug. 2012, p. 50. *Opposing Viewpoints in Context*.

Journal Article in a Database

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Article Title." *Title of Journal*, Volume, Issue, Publication Date, Pages. *Name of Database*.

Example:

EBSCOhost

Douglas, Kate. "Just Like Us." *New Scientist*, vol. 194, no. 260, 2007, pp. 46-49. *MAS Ultra - School Edition*.

Newspaper Article in a Database

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Article Title." *Title of Newspaper*, Edition, Publication Date, Pages. *Name of Database*.

Example:

SIRS

Shaughnessy, Deb. "Tighten Abortion Rules?" *Detroit Free Press*, late ed., 14 June 2012, p. A16. *SIRS Issues Researcher*.

DATABASES WITH ARTICLES THAT ARE ORIGINAL CONTENT*

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Article Title." *Name of Database*, Database Publisher, Date of publication.

Examples

Groliers

Kelley, Patricia H., and Thor A. Hansen. "Extinction." *The New Book of Knowledge*, Grolier Online, 2012.

ABC CLIO

"Prohibition." *American History*, ABC-CLIO, 2012.

*Original content articles are written specifically for that database and have never been published anywhere else.

BOOKS – WRITTEN BY ONE OR MORE AUTHORS

One Author

Author's Last Name, First Name. *Title of Book*. Publisher, Copyright year.

Two Authors

Author's Last Name, First Name, and First Name Last Name. *Title of Book*. Publisher, Copyright Year.

Three or More Authors

First Author's Last Name, First Name, et al. *Title of Book*. Publisher, Copyright Year.

Editor, No Author

Editor's Last Name, First Name, editor. *Title of Book*. Publisher, Copyright Year.

Book with an Author and in a Series

Author's Last Name, First Name. *Title of Book*. Publisher, Copyright year. Series Name Series Number.

Examples

Kissinger, Henry. *White House Years*. Penguin Group, 1999.

Emmerson, John K., and James M. Holland. *The Eagle and the Rising Sun: America and Japan in the Twentieth Century*. Addison-Wesley, 1998.

Boffey, Philip M., et al. *Claiming the Heavens: Complete Guide to the Star War Debate*. Times Books, 2003.

Bondi, Victor, editor. *American Decades: 1940-1949*. Gale Research, 1995.

Collins, Suzanne. *Catching Fire*. Scholastic Press, 2009. Hunger Games 2.

ANTHOLOGIES/COLLECTIONS & BOOKS – DIFFERENT ARTICLES WRITTEN BY DIFFERENT AUTHORS

Book with Many Articles, Many Authors

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Article Title." *Title of Book*, edited by First Name Last Name, Publisher, Copyright Date, Page Numbers of Article.

Example:

Alexander, Dan. "Labeling Rock Music Leads to Repression." *Culture Wars*, edited by Fred Whitehead, Greenhaven Press, 2009, pp. 194-199.

ANTHOLOGIES/COLLECTIONS & BOOKS – DIFFERENT ARTICLES, EDITOR, NO AUTHOR

"Chapter or Section Title." *Title of Book: Subtitle of Book*, edited by Editor's First Name Last Name, Edition, Volume, Publisher, Publication Date, Pages.

Example:

"Funny is Funny." *Adam Sandler*, edited by Dwayne Epstein, Lucent Books, 2004, pp. 20-25.

WEBSITES

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Article Title." *Name of Website*, Website Publisher, Publication Date, Website URL.

Holland, Brynn. "Woman in White: Hillary Clinton's Suffragette Tribute." *History*, A+E Networks, 21 Oct. 2016, www.history.com/news/woman-in-white-hillary-clintons-suffragette-tribute.

Examples

Website Name Is the Same as the Publisher (Omit Publisher)

Smith, Alice. "Students in School Year Round." *CNN*, 30 Apr. 2005, www.cnn.com/2009/LIVING/10/26/bia.education.success/index.html.