

## MLA Citation Examples

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### PRINT SOURCES

#### Book - one author

**Author's last name, Author's first name. *Title of Book*. City of publication: Publisher, copyright date. Medium of Publication.**

Evans, Thomas. *Afghanistan: A History of the People and Politics*. New York: Harper, 2002. Print.

#### Book - two or three authors

**First Author's last name, first Author's first name, and next Author's name(s). *Title of Book*. Ed. Editor(s) name. City of publication: Publisher, Copyright date. Medium of Publication.**

Ashton, John, and Tom Whyte. *The Quest for Paradise*. New York: Scribner, 2001. Print.

#### Book - four plus authors

**First Author's last name, first Author's first name, et. al. *Title of Book*. Ed. Editor(s) name. City of Publication: Publisher, Copyright date. Medium of Publication.**

Ebert, James D., et. al. *Biology*. Ed. Tom Smith. New York: Holt, 1973. Print.

#### Book -Article/Chapter in a Reference Book

**Author's last name, Author's first name. " Title of the Article/Chapter." *Title of Book*. Ed. Editor's name(s). Volume number. City of publication: Publisher, Copyright date. Pages. Medium of Publication.**

Marsh, Murdo William. " Langston Hughes." *Authors and Artists for Young Adults*. Ed. Scot Peacock and Jon Smith. Vol. 7. Detroit: Gale, 1993. 345-351. Print.

#### Book - Reprinted Article/Chapter originally published in a different book

**Author's last name, Author's first name. " Title of the Chapter." *Title of Book*. Ed. Editor's name(s). City of Publication: Publisher, Copyright date. Pages. Rpt. in "Chapter Title." *Title of Book*. Ed. Editor's name(s). Volume number. City of publication: Publisher, Copyright date. Pages. Medium of Publication.**

Marsh, Murdo William. " Langston Hughes." *Langston Hughes and the Harlem Renaissance*. Ed. Scott Jones. Chicago: Illinois Press, 1993. 345-351. Rpt. in "Influences on Modern Fiction." *Contemporary Writers*. Ed. Harold Bloom. Vol. 3. New York: Chelsea, 1999. 14-25. Print.

#### Book - Reprinted Article/Chapter originally published in a scholarly journal

**Author's last name, Author's first name. " Title of the Article." *Title of Journal* Volume number. Issue number (Publication year): Pages. Rpt. in "Chapter title." *Title of Book*. Ed. Editor's name(s). Volume number. City of publication: Publisher, copyright date. Pages. Medium of Publication.**

Marsh, William, Jr. "The Demon of Writing." *Southern Quarterly* 6.3 (1993). 345-351. Rpt. in "Influences on the Modern Novel." *Survey of American Fiction*. Ed. Thompson Jones. Vol. 2. New York: Scribner, 2004. 14-25. Print.

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### Book - Work in an Anthology (with a translator & editor)

**Author's last name, Author's first name. " Title of Work." Translator. *Title of Book*. Ed. Editor's name(s). City of publication: Publisher, Copyright date. Pages. Medium of Publication.**

Allende, Isabel. " Toad's Mouth." Trans. Margaret Sayers Peden. *A Hammock Beneath the Mangoes: Stories from Latin America*. Ed. Thomas Colchie. New York: Plume, 1992. 83-88. Print.

### Book - Introduction or Preface

**Author's last name, Author's first name. Introduction. *Title of Book*. By Author's name. Ed. Editor's name(s). City of publication: Publisher, Copyright date. Pages. Medium of Publication.**

Borges, Jorge Luis. Introduction. *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*. By Mark Twain. Ed. Harold Bloom. New York: Norton, 1992. xv-xvii. Print.

### Brochure or Pamphlet - corporate or group author

**Authoring group or company name. *Title of Publication*. City of publication: Publisher, Copyright date. Medium of Publication.**

Modern Language Association. *Language Study in the Age of the Internet*. New York: MLA, 2008. Print.

### Magazine or newspaper article - known author

**Author's last name, Author's first name. "Title of Article." *Title of Publication* Publication date: Pages. Medium of Publication.**

Tyrangiel, Josh. "Looking Ahead to 2009." *Time* 18 Nov. 2008: 50-52. Print.

### Magazine or newspaper article - unknown author

**"Title of Article." *Title of Publication* Publication date: Pages. Medium of Publication.**

"Michael Jordan." *Sports Illustrated* Sept. 2008: 15+. Print.

### Scholarly journal article - known author

**Author's last name, Author's first name. "Title of Article." *Title of Publication* Volume number. Issue number (Publication year): Pages. Medium of Publication.**

King, JoAnne. "Politics in Writing." *Critical Inquiry* 5.18 (2002): 50-52. Print.

### Scholarly journal article - unknown author

**"Title of Article." *Title of Publication* Volume number. Issue number (Publication year): Pages. Medium of Publication.**

"Origins of Democracy in America." *Profession* 5.18 (2005): 350-52. Print.

### Things to remember:

No pages? Use the abbreviation **n. pag.**

Journal & magazine articles with non-continuous pages use + to indicate more pages,

For example: Information indicates the article starts on page 27 and is 5 pages in length 27 (5). You would cite using: **27+** for the pages.

### WEB SOURCES: SUBSCRIPTION DATABASES

**Database article originally from a Reference Book** (*Biography Resource Center, History Resource Center, Literature resources from Gale, etc.*)

**Author's name, if known, last name first. "Title of Article." *Article's Original Source*. Edition (if given). Ed. Editor's name. Volume number. Place of publication: Publisher, Date of publication. Pages (if given). *Database Name*. Medium of Publication. Access day month year.**

Williams, Crystal. "Mark Twain." *St. James Guide to Science Fiction Writers*. 4th ed. Ed. Thomas Harvey. New York: St. James Press, 1996. *Biography Resource Center*. Web. 17 Aug. 2009.

**Database article - Reprinted Article/Chapter originally published in a book (Book--Book--Database)**

**Author's last name, Author's first name. "Title of the Original Article." *Title of Original Source*. Ed. Editor's name(s). Original City of Publication: Original Publisher, Copyright date. Original Pages. Rpt. in "Chapter Title." *Title of Book*. Ed. Editor's name(s). Volume number. City of publication: Publisher, copyright date. Pages. *Database name*. Medium of Publication. Access Date.**

Marsh, Murdo William. "Langston Hughes." *Langston Hughes and the Harlem Renaissance*. Ed. Scott Jones. Chicago: Illinois Press, 1993. 345-351. Rpt. in "Influences on Modern Fiction." *Readings on Langston Hughes*. Ed. Harold Bloom. New York: Chelsea, 1999. 14-25. *Literature Resources from Gale*. Web. 12 Aug. 2009.

**Database article originally from a Journal (*SIRS, Literature Resources from Gale, etc.*)**

**Author's last name, Author's first name. "Title of Article." *Title of Publication* Volume number. Issue number (Publication year): Pages. *Title of Database*. Medium of Publication. Access date.**

Weinberm, John. "Sword of Justice." *Harvard International Review* 29.4 (2007): 17-22. *SIRS Researcher*. Web. 15 Aug. 2009.

**Database article originally from a Magazine or Newspaper**

**Author's last name, Author's first name. "Title of Article." *Title of Publication* Publication date: Pages. *Title of Database*. Medium of Publication. Access date.**

Weinberm, John. "Election 2008." *Newsweek* 17 Nov. 2009: 17-22. *History Resource Center*. Web. 15 Aug. 2009.

### Database article - Reprinted Article/Chapter originally published in a book and republished in a journal (Book---Journal—Subscription Database)

**Author's last name, Author's first name. "Title of Article." *Title of Book*. Ed. Editor's name(s). Volume number. City of publication: Publisher, Copyright date. Rpt. in *Title of Journal* Volume number. Issue number (Publication year): Pages. *Database name*. Medium of Publication. Access Date.**

Marsh, Murdo William. "Langston Hughes." *Langston Hughes and the Harlem Renaissance*. Ed. Scott Jones. Vol. 1. Chicago: Illinois Press, 1993. 345-351. Rpt. in *Harvard Review of Literature* 34.1 (2004): 76+. *Literature Resources from Gale*. Web. 12 Aug. 2009.

### WEB SOURCES: ORIGINAL WEB PUBLICATIONS

#### Informational Web site - Author known

**Author of information, last name first. "Title of Web page." *Title of Web site*. Publisher or sponsor of the site, Date of publication. Medium of Publication. Date of access. <URL>.**

Quade, Alex. "Elite Teams Rescues Troops." *CNN.com*. Cable News Network, 19 Mar. 2007. Web. 14 Aug. 2009. <<http://www.cnn.com/2007/WORLD/measte/search.rescue.html>>.

#### Online magazine article (not a subscription database)

**Author's name if given (last name first). "Title of Page or Document." *Title of Web Site or Larger Work* Date of electronic publication: Pages. Medium of Publication. Date of access. <URL (address) of document>.**

Lynndell, Tim. "Trials and Tribble-ations Review." *Psi Phi Science Fiction Club* Aug. 1996: n. pag. Web. 12 Aug. 2009. <<http://www.bradley.edu/campusorg/psiphi/DS9/ep/503r.html>>.

#### Online scholarly journal article (not a subscription database)

**Author's name if given (last name first). "Title of Page or Document." *Title of Web Site or Larger Work*. Volume. Issue. (Publication year): Pages. Medium of Publication. Date of access. <URL (address) of document>.**

Johnson, Mark. "More Rocks Than Books." *eHumanista* 12.4 (1999): n. pag. Web. 10 Aug. 2009. <<http://www.ehumanista.ucsb.edu/information/index.shtml>>.

### WEB SOURCE: ORIGINAL PUBLISHED IN A DIFFERENT FORMAT

#### Online book originally PUBLISHED AS A book (not a subscription database)

**Author's name if given--last name first. "Title of Page or Document." *Title of Original Work*. Volume number (if given). City of publication: Publisher, Copyright date. Pages. *Title of Web site*. Medium of Publication. Date of access. <URL (address) of document>.**

Bierce, Ambrose. "Gunpowder." *The Devil's Dictionary: The Collected Works of Ambrose Bierce*. Vol. 7. New York: Neale, 1911. n. pag. *The Ambrose Bierce Project*. Web. 11 Aug. 2009. <<http://www.ambrosebierce.org/dictionary.htm>>.