

# A GUIDE TO YOUR BIBLIOGRAPHY

## MLA Format

### FOR AN ENTIRE BOOK

- **With one author:**

Author's Last Name, First Name. *Title Italicized*. Place of Publication: Publisher, Year of Publication. Medium of Publication.

**Example:**

Stross, Randall. *Planet Google: One Company's Audacious Plan to Organize Everything We Know*. New York: Free Press, 2008. Print.

- **With two or more authors:**

First Author's Last Name, First Name, and Second Author's First and Last Name. *Title Italicized*. Place of Publication: Publisher, Year of Publication. Medium of Publication.

**Example:**

Chertkow, Randy, and Jason Feehan. *The Indie Band Survival Guide*. New York: St. Martin's Griffin, 2008. Print.

### FOR A CHAPTER OR SECTION OF A BOOK

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Title of Chapter or Section (if any)." *Title Italicized*. Place of Publication: Publisher, Year of Publication. Page Numbers. Medium of Publication.

**Example:**

Collins, Suzanne. *The Hunger Games*. New York: Scholastic Press, 2008. 148-171. Print.

### FOR AN ARTICLE IN A REFERENCE BOOK

- **Familiar Reference Books:** If you are citing a familiar reference book, you do not need to give full publication information. List only the edition (if stated) and the year of publication.

"Article Title in Quotations." *Title of Reference Book Italicized*. Edition. Year of Publication. Medium.

**Examples:**

"Motion Picture." *World Book*. 2008. Print.

"Cloning." *Encyclopedia Britannica*. 15<sup>th</sup> edition. 1998. Print.

- **Less Familiar Reference Books:**

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Article Title in Quotations." *Title of Reference Book Italicized*. Editor(s). Volume Number. Place of Publication: Publisher, Year of Publication. Medium.

**Example:**

Davidson, Alan. "Lobster." *The Oxford Companion to Food*. Ed. Tom Jaine. Vol. 1. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2006. Print.

## **FOR AN ELECTRONIC/ONLINE BOOK**

Author's Last Name, First Name. *Title*. Place of Publication, Year of Publication. *Web Site or Database*. Medium. Date accessed. <URL in angle brackets>

### **Example:**

Hawthorne, Nathaniel. *The House of the Seven Gables*. Chicago, 1900. *Google Books*. Web. 17 Nov. 2009. <<http://books.google.com>>.

## **FOR AN ARTICLE IN A JOURNAL/MAGAZINE/NEWSPAPER**

### • **Article from a scholarly journal:**

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Article Title in Quotations." *Journal Title Italicized*  
Volume Number.Issue number (Year): Article Page Numbers. Medium of Publication.

### **Example:**

Campbell-Kelly, Martin. "Origin of Computing." *Scientific American* 301.3 (2009): 62-100. Print.

### • **Article from a magazine or newspaper**

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Article Title in Quotations." *Magazine/Newspaper Title Italicized* Date Month Year: Page Numbers. Medium.

### **Example:**

Finnegan, William. "Underground Man." *New Yorker* 9 Feb. 2004: 52-63. Print.

## **FOR AN ARTICLE IN AN ONLINE JOURNAL/MAGAZINE/NEWSPAPER**

If no publisher is listed, use "n.p." If no date, use "n.d."

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Article Title in Quotations." *Title of Site Italicized*.  
Sponsor or Publisher of Site, Date Electronically Published. Medium. Date Accessed. <URL in angle brackets>.

### **Example:**

Zimmer, Carl. "The Secrets Inside Your Dog's Mind." *Time*. Time Inc., 21 Sep. 2009. Web. 7 Oct. 2009. <<http://www.time.com/time/magazine/article/0,9171,1921614,00.html>>.

## **FOR AN ARTICLE FROM A SUBSCRIPTION DATABASE**

If the volume and issue are not listed, use the date. If no page is given, use "n. pag."

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Title of Article." *Title of Journal Italicized*  
Volume.Issue (Year): Page Numbers. *Database Title Italicized*. Medium.  
Date Accessed. <URL in angle brackets>.

### **Example:**

"Newborn Babies Might Benefit from Having Music Played to Them." *Nursing Standard* 23.44 (2009):17. *Expanded Academic ASAP*. Web. 7 Oct. 2009. <<http://www.gale.cengage.com/ExpandedAcademic> >.

## **FOR A GENERAL ENTRY IN A SUBSCRIPTION DATABASE**

“Entry Title.” *Database*. Sponsor, Year Published. Medium. Date Accessed. <URL in angle brackets>.

### **Example:**

“Abraham Lincoln: Assassination.” *American History*. ABC-CLIO, 2009. Web. 12 Nov. 2009  
<<http://www.americanhistory.abc-clio.com>>.

## **FOR A WEBSITE**

- **A Document from an Internet Site:** Use “n.p.” if publisher name is not available, and “n.d.” if there is no date.

Author’s Last name, First name (if given). “Title of the Document in Quotations.” *Title of the Site Italicized*. Sponsor or Publisher of Site, Date of Electronic Publication. Medium. Date Accessed. <URL in angle brackets>.

### **Example:**

“How to Juggle.” *International Juggling Association*. International Jugglers’ Association, Inc., 2009. Web. 8 Oct. 2009. <<http://www.juggle.org/howtobasics.php>>.

- **An Entire Internet Site or Project**

Author’s Last name, First name (if given). *Title of Site Italicized*. Sponsor or Publisher of Site, Date Electronically Published. Medium. Date Accessed.  
<URL in angle brackets>.

### **Examples:**

Shapcott, Michael. *Michael Shapcott Fine Art*. Michael Shapcott, 2008. Web. 5 Nov. 2009.  
<<http://www.michael-shapcott.com/>>.

*World Digital Library*. United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, 2009. Web. 8 Oct. 2009. <<http://www.wdl.org>>.

## **FOR AN IMAGE**

- **From a book**

Artist’s Last Name, First Name (if available). *Title of Work*. Date of Creation. *Title of Book*. City where original work is housed (if available). Author or editor. Place of publication: Publisher, Year of Publication. Page number. Medium.

### **Example:**

Armstrong, Neil. *First Man on the Moon*. 20 July 1969. *Photos that Changed the World*. Ed. Peter Stepan. New York: Prestel, 2000. 124. Print.

- **From a subscription database**

Artist’s Last Name, First Name (if available). *Title of Work*. Date of Creation. Institution where original work is housed (if stated), City where work is housed (if available). *Title of Website*. Medium. Date accessed. <URL in angle brackets>.

### **Example:**

*Abraham Lincoln*. n.d. Perry-Castaneda Library. *American History*. Web. 12 Nov. 2009  
<<http://www.americanhistory.abc-clio.com>>.

- **From a website**

Artist's Name (If available). *Title of Image*. Date of Image. Institution where Work is Housed. *Title of Website*. Medium. Date Accessed. <URL in angle brackets>.

**Examples:**

*Amelia Earhart, Head-and-Shoulders Portrait, Full Face*. n.d. Prints and Photographs Division, Library of Congress. *America's Library*. Web. 12 Nov. 2009.  
<[http://www.americaslibrary.gov/aa/earhart/aa\\_earhart\\_learns\\_2\\_e.html](http://www.americaslibrary.gov/aa/earhart/aa_earhart_learns_2_e.html)>.

Sasse, Arthur. Photograph of Albert Einstein. 1951. AFP-Getty Images. *msnbc*. Web. 12 Nov. 2009.  
<[http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/7318759/ns/technology\\_and\\_science-science](http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/7318759/ns/technology_and_science-science)>.

- **Photo or Image born digitally**

Artist Last name, First name. "Title of Photograph or description of photograph." Title of Website. Publisher of website, Date of e-publication. Medium. Most recent date of access. <URL in angle brackets>.

**Examples:**

"Shakespeare in England." Home page. Champlain Valley Union High School, n.d. Web. 11 Sept. 2012. <[http://www.cvuhs.org/uploads/1/0/1/1/10116266/2448208\\_orig.jpg](http://www.cvuhs.org/uploads/1/0/1/1/10116266/2448208_orig.jpg)>.

Falkoff, Mark. "Adnan Farhan Abdul Latif, prisoner at Guantanamo Bay." Amnesty International USA. Amnesty International USA, 12 Dec. 2007. Web. 13 Sept. 2012.  
<<http://www.amnestyusa.org/news/news-item/poems-from-guantanamo> >.

### **FOR A COMIC STRIP OR CARTOON**

Cartoons and comic strips are cited in the context of the media in which they are viewed.

- **In Print**

Creator's Last Name, First Name. "Title of Cartoon or Comic Strip." Description Label. *Title of Journal*. Date Published: Page Number. Medium.

**Example:**

Davis, Jim. "Garfield." Comic Strip. *Burlington Free Press*. 11 Nov. 2009: 9B. Print.

- **From a subscription database**

Creator's Name. "Title of Cartoon or Comic Strip." Description Label. *Title of Journal* Volume.Issue (Year): Page Number. *Database Title*. Medium. Date Accessed. <URL in angle brackets>.

Briggs. "The Days of Real Sport." Comic Strip. *The Anaconda Standard* 23.68 (1911): 2. *Newsbank*. Web. 12 Nov. 2009. <<http://infoweb.newsbank.com>>.

- **From a Website**

Creator's Name. "Title of Cartoon or Comic Strip." Description Label. *Title of Site*. Sponsor or Publisher of Site, Date of Electronic Publication. Medium. Date Accessed. <URL in angle brackets>.

**Examples:**

McKee, Rick. "Chicago Teachers Strike." Cartoon. *PoliticalCartoons.com*. Cagle Cartoons, Inc., 11 Sept. 2012. Web. 12 Sept. 2012.  
<<http://www.politicalcartoons.com/cartoon/76208370-0fbd-41c2-ab4d-a90c836352dd.html>>.

Amend, Bill. "FoxTrot." Comic Strip. *A Twilight Kiss*. ATwilightKiss.com, 2009. Web. 2 Dec. 2009.  
<<http://www.atwilightkiss.com/robert-pattinson-sets-vampire-requirements-for-halloween.html>>.

## **FOR AN ONLINE VIDEO CLIP**

*Title of video clip.* Contributors. *Name of the Web site.* Publisher of the site, Date of e-publication. Medium. Most recent date of access. <URL in angle brackets>.

### **Examples:**

*India/Sri Lanka: A Ferry Ride Home.* Prod. United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. *UNHCR Videos.* YouTube, 14 Oct. 2011. Web. 13 Sept. 2012.  
<<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=acN5MiksHuM&feature=plcp>>.

*Rufus Tower.* By Billy Brown. *YouTube.* YouTube, 8 Sept. 2012. Web. 13 Sept. 2012.  
<[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WI9W\\_VdV110&feature=g-logo-xit](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WI9W_VdV110&feature=g-logo-xit)>.

## **FOR A MAP**

### ● **In Print**

"Title of Map or Chart." Form of document. *Title of Book.* Location of Publisher: Publisher, Year. Page Number(s). Medium.

#### **Example:**

*Ireland Terrain Map.* Map. Chicago: World Book, 2008. 423. Print.

### ● **From a Subscription Database**

"Title of Map or Chart." Form of document. *Title of database.* Sponsor or Publisher, Year. Medium. Date accessed. <URL in angle brackets>.

#### **Example:**

"The World." Map. *CultureGrams.* Brigham Young University, 2009. Web. 1 Dec. 2009.  
< <http://online.culturegrams.com> >.

## **FOR A MAP, CHART, TABLE, INFOGRAPHIC (Born Digital)**

Author Last name, First name. "Title." Type of publication. *Name of web site.* Publisher of the site, Date of e-publication. Web. Most recent date of access. <URL in angle brackets>.

### **Examples:**

"Lima, Peru." Map. *Google Maps.* Google, 11 Sept. 2012. Web. 11 Sept. 2012.  
<<https://maps.google.com/maps?hl=en>>.

"My Ecological Footprint." Infographic. *Ecological Footprint Calculator.* Global Footprint Network, 8 Sept. 2011. Web. 11 Sept. 2012.  
<<http://www.footprintnetwork.org/en/index.php/GFN/page/calculators/>>.

## **E-MAIL MESSAGE**

Author of email. "Subject line of email." Message to whom email was sent. Date of email.  
Format.

### **Example:**

Booth, Peter. "The seemingly boundless power of librarians." Message to the author. 5 Mar. 2012. E-mail.

## **MOBILE APP**

Title of software/app. Version. Digital file type.

### **Example:**

*Super PAC App*. Vers. 1.0. iPhone app.

## **AUDIO CLIP (ONLINE)**

*Title of audio clip*. Contributors. *Name of the Web site*. Publisher of the site, Date of e-publication. Medium. Most recent date of access. <URL>.

### **Examples:**

*Simpsons (Itchy and Scratchy)*. Hark.com. Hark, Inc., n.d. Web. 11 Sept. 2012.  
<<http://www.hark.com/clips/cvszqkvjsd-simpsons-itchy-and-scratchy>>.

## **AUDIO PODCAST**

Podcast producers. "Title of Episode." Name of the Web site. Publisher of the site, Date of e-publication. Medium. Most recent date of access. <URL>.

### **Examples:**

WNYC. "33 Episodes in 3 Days." *On the Media*. WNYC, 13 July 2012. Web. 07 Sept. 2012.  
<<http://www.onthemedial.org/2012/jul/13/33-episodes-3-days/>>.

## **BLOG**

### • **POST**

Author of post. "Title of Post." *Name of the Blog*. Publisher of the site, Date of post.  
Medium. Most recent date of access. <URL in angle brackets>.

### **Examples:**

Hua, Stephanie. "10 Food Prep Tips + Recipes for Burning Man." *Lick My Spoon*.  
lickmyspoon.com, 25 Aug. 2012. Web. 11 Sept. 2012.  
<<http://lickmyspoon.com/events/10-food-prep-tips-recipes-for-burning-man/>>.

- **COMMENT**

Author of comment. "Title of comment." *Name of the Blog*. Publisher of the site, Date of post. Medium. Most recent date of access. <URL in angle brackets>.

**Examples:**

Powers, Amy. "Re: 10 Food Prep Tips + Recipes for Burning Man." *Lick My Spoon*. Lick My Spoon, 25 Aug. 2012. Web. 13 Sept. 2012. <<http://lickmyspoon.com/events/10-food-prep-tips-recipes-for-burning-man/>>.

**TWEET**

Real name of author of post (user name in parentheses if both are known and they differ). "Entire text of the tweet in quotation marks, without changing the capitalization." Date of post, Time of post. Medium. <URL in angle brackets>.

**Examples:**

Gaiman, Neil (neilhimsel). "People keep saying that I look photoshopped into this line of Hugo Awards people. It is not true. I was really there." 3 Sept. 2012, 7:59. Tweet. <<http://twitter.com/neilhimsel>>.

**FOR AN INTERVIEW**

For an interview you conducted, include the following:

Name of the person interviewed (last name first). Kind of interview (Personal interview, Telephone interview, E-mail interview). Date or dates of the interview. Contact information.\*

**Examples:**

Harlan, Lindsey. Personal interview. 8 Jan. 2005. (860)439-7612.

Ugoritz, Kathryn M. Telephone interview. 5 July 2005. (505)955-2829.

Perrin, G. Edward. E-mail interview. 17-21 Jan. 2005. <[geperrin@explorica.com](mailto:geperrin@explorica.com)>.

\*The addition of contact information is a deviation from the MLA format, but it is a requirement for the Grad Challenge Tri-Search paper bibliography.

**If you want to use an online citation maker, the  
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[Noodle Tools Express](http://www.noodletools.com/noodlebib/express.php)**

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## PARENTHETICAL CITATIONS

The following are examples of how you would cite your information in your paper so that you are giving credit to the source. **You should do this both for quotations, and when you have put the information into your own words (paraphrasing). If you do not cite the information and allow the reader to believe it is your opinion and words, you are plagiarizing.** Use the first word in your bibliography for your parenthetical reference. Include the page number if available. Put the ending punctuation for the sentence outside the parenthetical reference, not at the end of the sentence.

### Examples:

“Kidder has chronicled the life's work of such everyday citizens as a schoolteacher, a police officer, and a team of computer engineers” (Rousmaniere).

The movie *You've Got Mail* was, essentially, a giant advertisement for AOL (Croteau 65).

Record producer Rick Rubin's interest in diverse musical styles is evident in his catalog of work (Leibovitz 253).

**Note:** If you have mentioned the author in the text of your paper, you do not need to repeat his or her name in the parenthetical reference. You refer to the page number if there is one. There is no page number for an interview.

### Examples:

Leibovitz discusses Rick Rubin's diverse interests (253). She shows his diversity in her portrait of him (138).

Lindsey Harlan believes that the hero stories told by today's Rajputs reflect the values that are currently important to them to convey within their community

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