MLA Style Guide for Creating Works Cited Lists

Works Cited General Guidelines:
• References are cited on separate pages at the end of a manuscript, under the title, Works Cited (with no quotation marks, underlining or italicizing), centered at the top of the first page. The Works Cited list should be alphabetized by authors’ last names or article/book titles. References are double-spaced within and between entries.
• Generally, italicize titles of books and journals, or underline – but not both.
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book by a single author

Author (last name first). Book Title (in italics). Place of publication (state is needed if not a common city): Publishing company, year of publication. Medium of publication.


in-text citation: (Castle 46)

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Authors (last name first for first author, then first name first). Book Title (in italics). Place of publication: Publishing co., year of publication. Medium of publication.


in-text citation: (Llywelyn and Scott 102)

Note: Give the names in the same order as on the title page, not necessarily in alphabetical order. For more than three authors, you may name the first author and add “et al.” or give all names in full.

article in a reference work

Author (last name first). “Article Title.” (in quotes) Book Title (italics). Editor (if given). Place of publication: Publishing co., year of publication. Medium of publication.


in-text citation: (Le Patourel 4)

anonymous article or book

“Article Title.” (in quotes) Book Title (italics). Editor (if given). Place of publication: Publishing co., year of publication. Medium of publication.


in-text citation: (“Charlottesville” 23)

Note: When a work is anonymous, alphabetize the entry by title (ignoring any initial A, An, or The).

Other Resources

interview


in-text citation: (Wiesel)

personal interview

example: Barron, Tyler. Telephone interview. 7 Dec. 2011.

in-text citation: (Barron)
  in-text citation: (*Schindler’s List*)  
  in-text citation: (Spielberg)  
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**Electronic Resources**

| **website (no author)** | “Article title.” (in quotes) *Name of Website* (in italics). Publishing Co., publishing date (if no publisher is given, write N.p., if no date is given, write n.d.). Medium of publication. Date of access.  
  in-text citation: ("Royal")  
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  in-text citation: (Griffin)  
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  in-text citation: (Kollander 2468)  
  Note: A citation is given at the end of each Gale e-book entry, you must take out the page numbers, they don’t belong there.  
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