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MLA Works Cited Examples

Below are examples for formatting MLA (9th edition) Works Cited page entries. Check out the **MLA Style Center (style.mla.org)** and **the Purdue University Online Writing Lab (owl.purdue.edu/owl/purdue_owl.html)** for more examples and help. Adapted from the University of West Florida Libraries.

Book, Single Author	Coates, Ta-Nehisi. *Between the World and Me.* Spiegel & Grau, 2015.
Book, Two Authors	Martin, Jonathan and Alexander Burns. *This Will Not Pass: Trump, Biden and the Battle for America's Future*. Simon & Schuster, 2022. *Note: Authors should be listed in the order they appear on the title page.*
Book, Three or More Authors	Robbins, Chandler S., et al. *Birds of North America: A Guide to Field Identification.* Golden, 1966.
Book, with Translator or other contributors	Homer. *The Illiad*. Translated by Caroline Alexander, Ecco, 2015. *Note: Other common descriptions include: Adapted by, Directed by, Edited by, Illustrated by, Introduction by, Narrated by, Performance by.*
A work (e.g., essay, short story) in an anthology or compilation	Harrison, Barbara Grizzuti. "Arguing with the Pope." *Radiant Truths: Essential Dispatches, Reports, Confessions & Other Essays on American Belief,* edited by Jeff Sharlet, Yale UP, 2014, pp. 271-306.
Online Book	Geffen, Sasha. *Glitter Up the Dark: How Pop Music Broke the Binary*. U of Texas P, 2020. *EBSCOhost*, caccl-sdccd.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/01CACCL_SDCCD/ld78f4/alma9910022226672805322. *Note: Omit the prefix https:// when citing an online source with a URL or permalink.*
Article in an Online Database	Ruggeri, Kai, et al. "Well-Being Is More than Happiness and Life Satisfaction: A Multidimensional Analysis of 21 Countries." *Health & Quality Life Outcomes*, vol. 18, no 1, July 2020, pp. 1-16. *EBSCOhost*, https://doi.org/10.1186/s12955-020-01423-y. *Note: Include the prefix https:// when citing an online source with a DOI (digital object identifier).*
Article in a Print Journal	Greenberg, Jonathan. "Why Can't Biologists Read Poetry?: Ian McEwan's 'Enduring Love'." *Twentieth Century Literature,* vol. 53, no. 2, Summer 2007, pp. 93-124.
Article (Web Page) on a Website	Farkas, Meredith. "Tips for Being a Great Blogger (and a Good Person)." *Information Wants to Be Free*, 19 July 2011, meredith.wolfwater.com/wordpress/2011/07/19/tips-for-being-a-great-blogger-and-good-person/.
Website	Farkas, Meredith. *Information Wants to Be Free*. Jun. 2015, meredith.wolfwater.com.

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Documenting Sources with MLA Style (Ninth Edition)

Very little has changed between the eighth and ninth editions of the *MLA Handbook* which continues to provide a "universal set of guidelines" for documenting sources. Many more examples of citations to various resource types are included in the ninth edition. See the reverse side for some examples.

Copies of the ninth edition of the *MLA Handbook* are available for 3-day check-out and in the Reference Collection and at the Reference/Information Desk in the Library/LRC (R Building): **REF LB 2369 .M52 2021**.

The MLA Style Center, **style.mla.org**, includes examples of citing various types of sources.

The Purdue University Online Writing Lab, **owl.purdue.edu/owl/purdue_owl.html**, is another helpful resource for documenting sources.

1	Author.	Wilkotz, Jacquline**.**
2	Title of Source.	"Games of Hide and Seek**.**"

Container 1

3	Title of container,	*The Women's Review of Books***,**
4	Other contributors,	
5	Versions,	
6	Number,	vol. 4**,**
7	Publisher,	
8	Publication date,	1987**,**
9	Location.	pp. 31-32**.**

Container 2

3	Title of container,	JSTOR**,**
4	Other contributors,	
5	Versions,	
6	Number,	
7	Publisher,	
8	Publication date,	
9	Location.	https://doi.org/10.2307/4020136**.**

Template
Use this MLA template to capture the core elements of any item in a works-cited list (**1-9**). Use this order, and indicated punctuation marks (the final element ends with a period). Omit elements not pertaining to the work being cited.

Containers
When the cited source is part of a larger whole, the whole can be thought of as a container that holds the source.

A container may be a…
- **book** that contains a collection of essays, stories, etc.
- **periodical** which contains articles (e.g. journal, magazine)
- **television series** that contains episodes
- **website** which contains articles, postings, etc.
- **database** which contains articles (e.g. JSTOR, Academic Search Premier, etc.).

Elements 3-9 may be repeated if, for example, the journal was contained in a database.