

MLA Guidelines—Works Cited*

RULES TO REMEMBER:

- **ENTRIES ARE NOT NUMBERED!**
- List entries alphabetically according to the author's last name. If there is no author, use the first important word of the title. (ignore A An The if the first word of a title)
- The bibliography must be on a page by itself, with the words "Works Cited" centered at the top of the page.
- Do not indent the first line of each entry, but each of the following lines should be indented. This is called reverse indentation. NOTE: Not every entry will have more than one line!
- Each line is double-spaced.
- Every entry must have a designation of publication type i.e. Print. Web. DVD.
- Only list sources you have actually used.
- When source has no author or editor, begin with next part of entry.
- **BE CAREFUL WITH YOUR PUNCTUATION!**

SAMPLE ENTRIES:

Book with One Author—

Author's last name, first name. *Book Title*. City of publication: Publisher, year published. Print.

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Tannen, Deborah. *The Argument Culture*. New York: Random, 1998. Print.

Book with Two Authors—

Short, Kathy Gnagey, and Lois Bird. *A Way of Knowing*. Peoria, IL: Stenthouse, 1997. Print.

Book with Four or More Authors (Note: cite only the first author followed by "et al.")—

Holloway, Susan D., et al. *Through My Own Eyes*. London: Harvard UP, 1997. Print.

Book with Editor (Note: if more than one editor—use eds.)—

Kitchen, Judith ed. *In Short: A Collection of Nonfiction*. New York: Norton, 1996. Print.

Signed Article in a Specialized Reference Book (Note: if unsigned, begin with article title)—

Leonard, David J. "College Sports." *Social Issues in America: An Encyclopedia*. Ed. James Ciment.

Vol. 2. Armonk, NY: Sharpe, 2006. Print.

Newspaper Article with Author (Note: if no author, begin with title of the article)—

Author's last name, first name. "Article Name." *Newspaper* Day Month Year: Page(s). Print.

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Knox, Richard A. "Please Don't Dial and Drive." *Boston Globe* 13 Feb. 2004: A1+. Print.

Magazine with Author (Note: if no author, begin with title of the article)—

Author's last name, first name. "Article title." *Magazine Title* Day Month Year: Page(s). Print.
Kaplan, Robert D. "History Moving North." *Atlantic Monthly* Feb. 2006: 21+. Print.

Online Database with Two Authors—

First author's last name, first name, and second author's first name last name. "Article Title."

Magazine/Newspaper Day Month Year: Page(s). *Database*. Web. Day Month Year Accessed.

Breslau, Karen, and David Wolman. "The Sleeping Giant Slowly Wakes." *Newsweek* 11 Oct. 2004:
38. *eLibrary*. Web. 10 Mar. 2009.

Website (Note: also use for on-line article taken directly from a newspaper or magazine website i.e. *pjstar.com*)—

Author's last name, first name. "Website article title." *Website Name*. Day Month Year Published.

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*For additional information, see *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers*, the [Purdue University Owl](http://www.purdue.edu/owl) website or your English teacher.