

MLA Style Guide for Source Cards and Works Cited

Book Citation Examples

The general format for citing a book:

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

The general format for a parenthetical citation for a book is the author's last name and the page number (X), **without** a comma, the word "page," or "p."

(Last name X) (parenthetical citation – body of the paper)

Book with one author:

Spitzer, Robert R. *No Need for Hunger*. Danville, CT: Gale, 1981.

(Spitzer 74) (parenthetical citation – body of the paper)

Book with two authors:

Ostrander, Mary, and Lynn Schroeder. *Superlearning*. New York: Delacorte, 1979.

(Ostrander and Schroeder 30) (parenthetical citation – body of the paper)

Book with an editor but no author:

Vinson, James, ed. *Contemporary Dramatists*. London: St. James, 1973.

(Vinson 402) (parenthetical citation – body of the paper)

Book with no author:

The World Almanac and Book of Facts. New York: Newspaper Enterprise Assoc., 1985.

(World 458) (parenthetical citation – body of the paper)

Personal interview:

Brooks, Sarah. Personal interview. 15 Oct. 2005.

(Brooks) (parenthetical citation – body of the paper)

Citing Database Sources

Basic format for articles from an online service:

Author. "Article Title." *Journal Title* Date: pages. *Title of Database*. Medium of publication consulted. Web. Date of access.

(Author 3) (parenthetical citation – body of the paper)

Sample Citations from CMS Databases

EBSCOhost, Student Research Center & Searchassaurus

Trammell, Jack. "The Civil War Letters of a Confederate Artillery Officer," *America's Civil War* Nov. 2011: 68. *MAS Ultra - School Edition*. EBSCO. Web. 3 Oct. 2011.

(Trammell 68) (parenthetical citation – body of the paper)

OKCIS College & Career Online

“Sports Psychologists.” Oklahoma Career Information Systems. Web. 30 Oct. 2011.

(“Sports Psychologists”) (parenthetical citation – body of the paper)

SIRS Discoverer

“Career Planning.” *Youth Corner (U.S. Department of Labor)*. 20 Mar. 2002: n.p. *SIRS Discoverer*.

Web. 14 Oct. 2011.

(“Career Planning”) (parenthetical citation – body of the paper)

World Book

Leonard, Scott A. “Mythology.” *World Book Student*. World Book, 2011. Web. 3 Oct. 2011.

(Leonard) (parenthetical citation – body of the paper)

Citing Websites and Internet Resources

Basic format for internet resources:

Title of site. Institution or company responsible. Date of electronic publication or latest update. Web. Date of access. <URL (address of site)>

(*Title of site*, par. 8) (parenthetical citation – body of the paper)

Internet site:

Evolution of the Conservation Movement. Library of Congress. 3 May 2002. Web. 8 Jan. 2012.

<<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/amryhtml/conshome.html>>

(*Evolution of the Conservation Movement*, par. 18) (parenthetical citation – body of the paper)

Gale Virtual Reference Library: (These are eBooks, not a database***)**

“John R. Mott.” *Encyclopedia of World Biography*. 2nd ed. Vol. 11. Detroit: Gale, 2004. 212. *Gale Virtual Reference Library*. Web. 29 Nov. 2012.

<http://go.galegroup.com/ps/i.do?id=GALE%7CCX3404704615&v=2.1&u=odl_cheymsl&it=r&p=G_VRL&sw=w>

(“John” 212) (parenthetical citation – body of the paper)

Marsinko, Allan, William Zawacki, and Don Roach, II. “Forests.” *Encyclopedia of Rural America: The Land and People*. Ed. Gary Goreham. Vol. 1. 2nd ed. Millerton, NY: Grey House Publishing, 2008. 411-414. *Gale Virtual Reference Library*. Web. 31 Dec. 2008.

<http://go.galegroup.com/ps/i.do?id=GALE%3XVE47568376&v=1.2&u=odl_cheymsl&it=r&p=GVR_L&sw=w>

(Marsinko, Zawacki, and Roach 412) (parenthetical citation – body of the paper)