

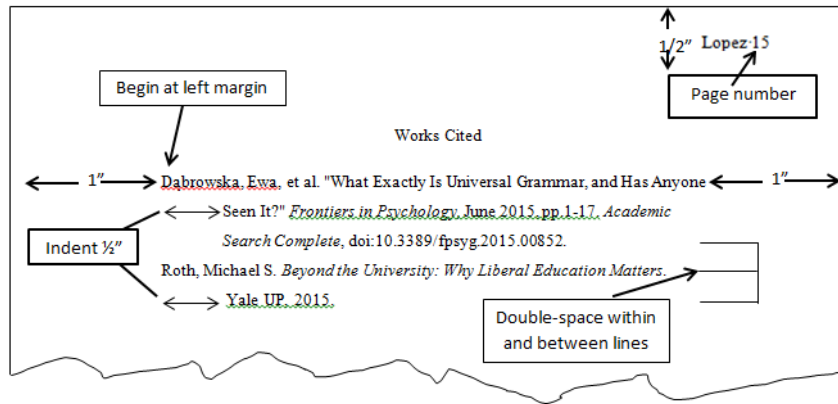
# Works Cited Page – MLA Guidelines

Based on MLA Handbook, 8<sup>th</sup> ed.

## MLA Formatting Basics

- Begin the list of works cited on a **new page** at the end of your research paper.
- Include your **last name** and the **page number** at the upper right corner of the page, continuing the page numbers of the text.
- **Title** the page Works Cited Center the title 1" from the top of the page.
- **Double-space, within and between, entries.**
- Place the first line of each entry at the left margin. Additional lines are indented ½ inch. This is called a **“hanging indent.”**
- List entries in **alphabetical order** by the last name of each author. If the author’s name is unknown, alphabetize by the title, ignoring any initial *A*, *An* or *The*.

This is an example of what the top of your Works Cited page should look like:



All citations are made up of a few basic elements presented in a specific order. Not all resources have all elements. Omit any element your resource doesn't have.

Author. Title of Document. Title of Source, Other Contributors, Version, Number, Publisher, Publication Date, Location.

Following are some examples of appropriately formatted citations. The citations are grouped by format for convenience. Follow your instructor's requirements first. Beyond that, these examples can act as models for clear and consistent MLA citations

## Print Resources

### BOOKS

Single author	Daugherty, Tracy. <i>Just One Catch: A Biography of Joseph Heller</i> . St. Martin's Press, 2011.
Two or three authors	Tapscott, Don, and Anthony D. Williams. <i>Macrowikinomics: Rebooting Business and the World</i> . Penguin Group, 2010.
Books with more than three authors	Cowan, Cynthia J., et al. <i>Scrapbooking in the Digital Age</i> . Chronicle Books, 2011.
Book with one or two editors	Lewis, Catherine M., and J. Richard Lewis, editors. <i>Women and Slavery in America: A Documentary History</i> . U of Arkansas P, 2011.
More than two editors	Stavans, Ilan, general editor, et al. <i>The Norton Anthology of Latino Literature</i> . Norton, 2011.
Article/essay within anthology/collection	Chiao, Joan Y. "Where Does Human Diversity Come from?" <i>Future Science: Essays from the Cutting Edge</i> , edited by Max Brockman, Vintage Books, 2011, pp. 236-247.

## SPECIALIZED ENCYCLOPEDIA ARTICLES (encyclopedias focusing on a single topic)

Signed (author given)	Bigalke, Ron J. "Electoral College." <i>The Encyclopedia of Political Science</i> , edited by George T. Kurian, vol.2., CQ, 2011, p. 480.
Unsigned (no author)	"Racial Profiling." <i>West's Encyclopedia of American Law</i> . Edited by Jeffrey Lehman and Shirelle Phelps, 2nd ed., vol. 8, Thomson Gale, 2004, pp. 213-217.

## MAGAZINES & NEWSPAPERS

Magazine Article Signed	Walsh, Bryan. "The Future of Oil." <i>Time</i> , 9 Apr. 2012, pp. 28-35.
Journal Article Signed	Kuehn, Bridget M. "Scientists Find Promising Therapies for Fragile X and Down Syndromes." <i>JAMA: Journal of the American Medical Association</i> , vol. 305, no. 4, 2011, pp. 344-346.
Newspaper Article Signed	Murphy, Katy. "Prop.30—Little Relief for Colleges." <i>San Jose Mercury News</i> , 9 Nov. 2012, pp. A1.
Newspaper Article Unsigned	"Better Ways to Deal with the Evil of Drug Abuse." <i>Wall Street Journal</i> , 4 Mar. 2008, p. A15.

## INTERVIEWS

Interview in Person	Rose, Kathleen. Personal interview, 10 May 2016.
Interview in Print (Begin with name of interviewee)	Hidary, Abraham J. "30-Minute Interview." Interviewed by Vivian Marino. <i>The New York Times</i> , 27 Nov. 2012, p. B2

## Citing Sources in the Text (Parenthetical Citation)

### -Print Sources-

In MLA style, your sources are acknowledged by adding brief parenthetical references within your text. This coincides with your Works Cited page at the end of your paper. Generally, the author's last name and a page number are enough to identify the source. The following are some examples of parenthetical documentation:

General  
In-text reference

Google's founders "were certainly armed with a healthy disregard for the impossible" (Vise 11).

In-text reference when the  
author's name appears in the  
text of your paper

David Vise captures the essence of Google when he states that the founders "were certainly armed with a healthy disregard for the impossible" (11).

Corresponding MLA Works  
Cited reference

Vise, David A. *The Google Story*. Random House, 2005.

## Internet and Multimedia Sources

Some of the most common Internet and multimedia sources are listed below.

- **Remember, your entire list should be in alphabetical order. These have been grouped by format for convenience only.**
- **DOIs (Digital Object Identifiers), Permalinks or Bookmarks from the databases are preferable to URLs from your browser.**

Sites (General MLA Format)	Author. "Title of Article." <i>Title of Web Site</i> (homepage). Name of institution/organization sponsoring site, Date of Posting/Revision, Date of access. (If no posting date on Web Site), DOI or URL (omit beginning http://).
Article on a Web Site	"MLA Formatting and Style Guide." <i>Purdue Online Writing Lab</i> . Purdue U, 2012, owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/01/.
Online Magazine Article	Arnold, Carrie. "Planting Seeds of Dementia." <i>Scientific American Mind</i> . Nov/Dec 2012, www.scientificamerican.com/article/planting-seeds-of-dementia/.
Article from a Compiled Online Work	D'Souza, Shanthie Mariet. "Mumbai Terrorist Attacks of 2008." <i>Encyclopedia Britannica Online</i> . Britannica Academic Edition, 2012, academic.eb.com/EBchecked/topic/1487539/Mumbai-terrorist-attacks-of-2008. OR McDougal, Jenny. "WWHPD: What Would Harry Potter Do?" <i>Wizard of Their Age: Critical Essays from the Harry Potter Generation</i> , edited by Cecilia Konchar Farr. SUNY Press, 2015 pp. 159-179. <i>EBSCOHost</i> , ezproxy.gavilan.edu/login?url=http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=e900xww&AN=937624&login.asp&site=ehost-live&scope=site&ebv=EB&ppid=pp_159.
Newspaper Article from a Database	Ellin, Abby. "Studies in Free Speech." <i>New York Times</i> , 23 Jun. 2016, p. F10. <i>EBSCOHost</i> , ezproxy.gavilan.edu/login?url=http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=f6h&AN=116333617&site=ehost-live&scope=site
Journal Article from a Database	Demers, Anne. "When Veterans Return: The Role of Community in Reintegration." <i>Journal of Loss &amp; Trauma</i> , vol. 16 no. 2, Mar./Apr. 2011, pp. 160-179. <i>EBSCOHost</i> , doi:10.1080/15325024.2010.519281.
Magazine Article from a Database	Loeb, Eryn. "The Strangeness Quotient: In Her New Novel, Karen Russell Returns to the Dark and Magical Kingdom of Kid-dom." <i>Poets &amp; Writers Magazine</i> , vol. 39, no. 2, 2011, pp. 50+. <i>Gale</i> , ezproxy.gavilan.edu/login?url=http://go.galegroup.com/ps/i.do?id=GALE%7CA250578719&v=2.1&u=gilr66945&it=r&p=LitRC&sw=w&asid=86f680459c0301d73828e262e93489db.

Article from a Database	Allen, Leslie. "Prescription Drug Costs." <i>CQ Researcher</i> , 20 May 2016, pp. 457-480. <i>CQ Press</i> , library.cqpress.com/CQResearcher/document.php?id=cqresrre2016052000.
eBook	Sutherland-Smith, Wendy. <i>Plagiarism, the Internet, and Student Learning: Improving Academic Integrity</i> . Taylor & Francis Routledge, 2008. <i>EBSCOhost</i> , ezproxy.gavilan.edu/login?url=http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=nlebk&AN=224115&login.asp&site=ehost-live&scope=site&ebv=EB&ppid=pp.
Blog Post	Reichman, Hank. "Academic Freedom: Challenges and Opportunities." <i>Academe Blog</i> , 5 Apr. 2016, academeblog.org/2016/04/05/academic-freedom-challenges-and-opportunities/.
Video Recording	<i>The Fight for Water: A Farm Worker Struggle</i> . Juan Carlos Oseguera, writer, producer, editor, and director, Filmunition Productions, 2014.
Online Videos	Rainie, Lee. "The Networked Librarian." <i>YouTube</i> , 3 Nov. 2013, www.youtube.com/watch?v=4jCPMH8s2A4.

## Citing Sources in the Text (Parenthetical Citation) -Internet, Multimedia & Other Non-print Sources-

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General in-text reference	The idiom "ace" often means making an A on a school assignment (Oliver).
In-text reference when the author's name appears in the text of your paper	According to Dennis Oliver, the idiom "ace" means to "make an 'A' on a test, homework assignment, project, etc."
Corresponding MLA Works Cited reference	Oliver, Dennis. "ESL Idiom Page." <i>Dave's ESL Café</i> , (1995-2007). Web. 12 Sept. 2009.

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