



Briarcliff Middle School

Example MLA Citations

- Do not indent the first line of each works cited entry, but indent any additional lines one-half inch (or five space/Tab)
- Double-space throughout
- Must be in **alphabetical order** by authors last name. If there is no author use title, articles like *A, An, The* do not count.
- **All punctuation, underlining, and quotation marks must be included!!!**

To save space, examples are not double-spaced.

Print Materials

Anthology

Example:

Cafiero, Dennis. "Scholar and Gypsy." The Oxford Book of Travel Stories. Ed. Joseph Foster. Oxford: Oxford UP, 2005. 253-78.

Components:

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Title of the Selection." Title of Anthology. Ed. (Name of Editor First Name Last Name). City of Publication: Publishing Company, Copyright Year. Pages.

Book (one author)

Example:

Bradbury, Ray. Fahrenheit 451. New York: The Ballantine Publishing Group, 1981.

Components:

Author's Last Name, First Name. Title of Book. City of Publication: Publishing Company, Copyright Year.

Book (no author)

Example:

Walking Tours of Mountain Lakes. Boston: Posner Publishers, 2007.

Components:

Title of Book. City of Publication: Publishing Company, Copyright Year.

Print Materials continued...

Book (two authors)

Example:

Hogg, Ian V., and John H. Batchelor. Armies of the American Revolution. Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice-Hall Inc, 1975.

Components:

Author's Last Name, First Name, and Author2's First Name Last Name. Title of Book.
City of Publication: Publishing Company, Copyright Year.

Note: If city of publication is not a major city include the state.

Book (three or more authors)

Example:

Dam, Christine, et al. Language Arts and You. New York: Briarcliff Press, 2005.

Components:

Author's Last Name, First Name, et al. Title of Book. City of Publication: Publishing Company, Copyright Year.

Book (author and illustrator)

Example:

Thomson, Pay. The Squeaky, Creaky Bed. Illus. Niki Daly. New York: Doubleday, 2003.

Components:

Author's Last Name, First Name. Title of Book. Illustrator (Illus). First Name Last Name.
City of Publication: Publishing Company, Copyright Year.

Book (one editor)

Example:

Mendello, James, ed. Speak Spanish like You Can. London: Loco Publishers, 1924.

Components:

Editor's Last Name, First Name, ed. Title of Book. City of Publication: Publishing Company, Copyright Year.

Book (two editors)

Example:

Posner, Dennis Raymond, and Irene Muca, eds. No Dust on this Jacket: 7 Short Stories from the Library. San Francisco: Happy Books, 2005.

Components:

Editor's Last Name, First Name, and Editor2's First Name Last Name, eds. Title of Book. City of Publication: Publishing Company, Copyright Year.

Print Materials continued...

Book (author with an editor)

Example:

Dewitt, John. Lunch with Henry: How to Deal with Crazy People. Ed. Henry Finkelstein. Los Angeles: A-Duh Books, 2004.

Components:

Author's Last Name, First Name. Title of Book. Ed. Editor's First Name Last Name. City of Publication: Publishing Company, Copyright Year.

Encyclopedia or Dictionary Article

Example with author:

Usselman, Melvyn C. "Chemistry." World Book Encyclopedia. 2006 ed.

Example without author:

"Sonata." The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language. 4th ed. 2000.

Components:

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Title of Article." Encyclopedia Title. Edition ed. Copyright Year.

Note: Often an author's name is found on the last page of the topic article in very small print. If no author is given, start entry with the title of the article.

Magazine/Journal Article

Example:

Kaplan, Robert D. "History Moving North." Atlantic Monthly Feb. 1997: 21.

Components:

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Title of Article." Magazine Title Date of Magazine (day month year): Pages.

Note: Include the day if it is part of the magazine date, for example: 29 Sep. 2002.

Newspaper Article

Example:

Mucci, Anne. "Building Community Support for Schools." New York Times 15 Dec. 2006: C3.

Components:

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Title of Article." Name of Newspaper [City if local and not in Newspapers Name] Date: Section and Page.

Electronic Sources

DVD and Video

Example:

An Inconvenient Truth. Dir. Davis Guggenheim. Perf. Al Gore and Billy West. DVD.
Paramount, 2006.

Components:

Title. Dir. Director's First Name Last Name. Perf. Performers's Frist Name Last Name.
(Medium)DVD. Name of Distributor, Year of Release.

Note: If your source is a videocassette, write in "Videocassette" instead of DVD.

CD-ROM Encyclopedia Article

Example:

"Big Bad Dinosaurs." The Complete National Geographic. CD-ROM. Washington, DC:
National Geographic Interactive, 1998.

Components:

"Title of Article." Title of CD-ROM. CD-ROM. City: Publisher, Year.

World Wide Web

Sometimes an article is housed on a website available to everyone (think of information found via Google) or you may get your article from a subscription online database (think of EBSCO or Facts on File) paid for by your school library or public library. These are two very different sources.

For subscription Databases follow these guidelines:

- When citing an online subscription service, the name and the location of the library where you retrieved the article should be listed right after the name of the service and before the date of access. For us you would document BCLMC, Mountain Lakes, NJ.
- For articles from an online database, the URL of the online service should be cited **NOT** the URL of the specific article. For example, [<http://web.ebscohost.com>](http://web.ebscohost.com) or [<http://worldbookonline.com/>](http://worldbookonline.com/).
- If the database is known, it needs to be included and underlined, for example, Student Research Center or Kids Search followed by the database service, EBSCOhost. If the database is not known simply list the database service without underlining it. Another example: American History Online (name of Database) and Facts on File (Database Service).

Online Database

Section of a Book – Online Database

Example:

Gleason, Bill. "Studying Real Hard." The Art of Teaching Study Skills. New York: BC Publishers, 2009. 24-49. Study Skill Online. Facts on File. BCLMC, Mountain Lakes, NJ. 3 March 2009 <<http://web.fof.org/>>.

Components:

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Title of Article." Title of Book. City of Publication: Publishing Company, Copyright Year. Pages. Database Title. Name of Service Provider. Name and Location of Subscribing Library. Date of Visit to Site <URL of Article>.

Online Database continued...

Encyclopedia Article on the Web – Online Database

Example:

Usselman, Melvyn C. "Chemistry." World Book Online. BCLMC, Mountain Lakes, NJ. 10 Jan. 2007 <<http://worldbookonline.com/>>.

Components:

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Title of Article." Encyclopedia Title. City of Publication: Publishing Company, Copyright Year. Pages Database Title. Name of Service Provider. Name and Location of Subscribing Library. Date of Visit to Site <URL of Article>.

Note:

- For name and location of subscribing library use "BCLMC, Mountain Lakes, NJ." If no author is given, start entry with the title of the article.
- Supply as much publication information as possible.

Magazine/Journal Article on the Web – Online Database

Example:

Klein, Andrew. "Tigers' Last Stand." Science World 12 Mar. 2007: 8-11. Student Research Center. EBSCOhost. BCLMC, Mountain Lakes, NJ. 10 Jan. 2007 <<http://web.ebscohost.com>>.

Components:

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Title of Article." Original Source of Article Date of Original Source (day month year): Pages. Database Title. Name of Service Provider. Name and Location of Subscribing Library. Date of Visit to Site(day month year) <URL of Article>.

Newspaper Article on the Web – Online Database

Example (two authors):

Dorning, Mike, and John McCormick. "New York Senator Tears Up, Then Tears into Front-Runner." Chicago Tribune 08 Jan. 2008. Student Research Center. EBSCOhost. BCLMC, Mountain Lakes, NJ. 10 Jan. 2007 <<http://web.ebscohost.com>>.

Components:

Author's Last Name, First Name, and Author2's First name Last Name. "Title of Article." Name of Newspaper [City if local and not in Newspaper Name] Date of Original Source (day month year). Database Title. Name of Service Provider. Name and Location of Subscribing Library. Date of Visit to Site (day month year) <URL of Article>.

The Web — Think Google

Note: If URL's are extremely long and go on to a second or third line break them at a “/”.

Magazine/Journal Article on the Web

Example:

Gearan, Anne. “Bush Predicts Middle East Peace.” Time 10 Jan. 2007. 12 Jan. 2007
< <http://www.time.com/time/world/article/0,8599,1702131,00.html>>.

Components:

Author's Last Name, First Name. “Title of Article.” Title of Magazine Date of Article
(day month year). Date of Visit to Site (day month year) <URL>.

Newspaper Article on the Web

Example:

Zeleny, Jeff. “Kerry Endorses Obama as Campaign Goes Nationwide.” New York Times
10 Jan. 2008. 11 Jan. 2008 <http://www.nytimes.com/2008/01/10/us/politics/10cnd-campaign.html?_r=1&hp&oref=slogin>.

Components:

Author's Last Name, First Name. “Title of Article.” Name of Newspaper [City, State (if
local and not in Newspapers Name)] Date of Article (day month year). Date of
Visit to Site (day month year) <URL>.

An Entire Web Site

Example:

Peterson, Sam. The Life of Butterflies. 2 Jan. 2006. Butterflies International. 4 Feb. 2008
<<http://www.butterflies.org>>.

Components:

Author's Last Name, First Name (if given). Title of the Site. Date of Publication or Last
Update (day month year). Name of Institution or Sponsoring Organization. Date
of Visit to Site (day month year) <URL of Page>.

Note: Include as many components as you can for this entry.

Short Work from a Web Site

Example:

Shiva, Vandana. “Bioethics: A Third World Issue.” Native Web. 15 Sept. 2002.
Third World Watch. 16 Feb. 2007
<<http://www.nativeweb.org/pages/legal/shive/html>>.

Components:

Author's Last Name, First Name (if given). “Title of the Short Work.” Title of the Site.
Date of Publication or Last Update (day month year). Name of Institution or
Sponsoring Organization. Date of Visit to Site (day month year)
<URL of Page>.

Note: Include as many components as you can for this entry.

Other

Cartoon

Example:

Conley, Darby. "Get Fuzzy." Comic Strip. Express-News [San Antonio] 6 May 2004: D4.

Components:

Artist Last Name, First Name. "Title of Comic Strip." Format. Publication Name
[City Name if necessary] Date of Publication: Section and Page.

- **In-text citation format:** (Last Name)

Note Exceptions: If the text is a single cartoon and not a part of a long running series, the title is not necessary and the format would be "Cartoon." For example:

Chast, Roz. Cartoon. New Yorker 4 Feb. 2002: 53.

Advertisement in a magazine

Example:

Polo Blue, Ralph Lauren. Advertisement. GQ 4 May 2003: 112.

Components:

Name of Product, Company, or Institution. Descriptive Label. Title of Magazine Date:
Page.

- **In-text citation format:** (Name of Product, Company, or Institution)

Map or Chart

Example:

Michigan. Map. Chicago: Rand, 2000.

Hunger in America. Chart. USA Today 2 Jan. 2007: 1A.

Components:

Name of Map or Chart. Form of document. Location of Publisher: Publisher, Date
Year (.): Page.

- **In-text citation format:** (Title)