

# MLA Style Guide



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<b>Examples of in-text citations</b>	
Examples of in-text citations are found on pages 116-128 (Section 3 of Part 2)	
<b>One or two authors</b>	Tannen has argued this point (175-85). This point has already been argued (Dorris and Erdrich 23).
<b>Three or more authors</b>	Others hold the opposite point of view (Jakobson et al. 210-215).
<b>Work listed by title (no author)</b>	<b>A brief or shortened version of the title is used if it is longer than a noun phrase. Begin with the word by which it is alphabetized in the list of Works Cited – give the first noun and any preceding adjectives, while excluding any initial article.</b>  <i>The Double Vision: Language and Meaning in Religion = Double Vision</i> “Traveling in the Breakdown Lane” = “Traveling”  <b>If the title does not begin with as noun phrase, cite the first word.</b>  <i>And Quiet Flows the Don = And</i> <i>Under the Volcano = Under</i>
<b>Corporate authors</b>	<b>Abbreviate terms that are commonly abbreviated, but spell out the words in the Works Cited list.</b>  In 1988 a federal report observed . . . (United States, Dept. of Labor 147).
<b>Indirect sources (second-hand quotes)</b>	Samuel Johnson admitted that Edmund Burke was an “extraordinary man” (qtd. in Boswell 450).
<b>Repeated use of sources</b>	More than once from the same author within a single paragraph with no other citations in between (Zender 138, 141). <b>OR</b> If it is unclear which page number (Zender 138) should be matched with which page number (141).
<b>Newspaper Articles</b>	Repetitive strain injury, or RSI, is reported to be “the fastest-growing occupational hazard of the computer age” (Taylor A1).
<b>Multiple Works</b>	As shown in several studies (Smith 64; Jones 86) . . .
<b>Multivolume Work (encyclopedias etc.)</b>	The anthology by Lauter and his coeditors contains both Stowe’s “Sojourner Truth, the Libyan Sibyl” (B: 2601-09) and Gilman’s “The Yellow Wallpaper” (C: 578-90).      ( <i>volume: page numbers</i> )

<b>Examples of Quotations</b>	
Examples of quotations are found on pages 75-91 (Section 1.3 of Part 2)	
<b>Short quotations</b>	<p>In the late Renaissance, Machiavelli contended that human beings were by nature “ungrateful” and “mutable” (1240), and Montaigne thought them “miserable and puny” (1343).</p> <p>It may be true that “in appreciation of medieval art the attitude of the observer is of primary importance . . .” (Robertson 136).</p>
<b>Long quotations</b> (more than four lines long)	<p>John K. Mahon adds a further insight to our understanding of the War of 1812:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Financing the war was very difficult at the time. Baring Brother, a banking firm of the enemy country, handled routine accounts for the United States overseas, but the firm would take on no loans. The loans were in the end absorbed by wealthy Americans at great hazard—also, as it turned out, at great profit to them. (385)</p>

<b>Examples of References</b>	
Examples used in the list of works cited are found on pages 102-116 (Section 2 of Part 2).	
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<b>One or two authors</b>	<p>Kurlansky, Mark. <i>Salt: A World History</i>. Walker, 2002.</p> <p>Kouzes, James M., and Barry Z. Posner. <i>The Leadership Challenge</i>. 4<sup>th</sup> ed., John Wiley &amp; Sons, 2007.</p>
<b>Three or more authors</b>	<p>Plag, Ingo, et al. <i>Introduction to English Linguistics</i>. Mouton, 2007.</p>
<b>Corporate author as publisher</b>	<p>National Research Council. <i>Beyond Six Billion: Forecasting the World’s Population</i>. National Academy, 2000.</p> <p style="background-color: yellow;">If the author and the publisher are the same, skip the author and start with the title:</p> <p><i>Fair Housing-Fair Lending</i>. Aspen Law &amp; Business, 1985.</p>
<b>Edited book</b>	<p>Bronte, Charlotte. <i>Jane Eyre</i>. Edited by Margaret Smith, Oxford University Press, 1998.</p> <p>Weisser, Susan Ostrov, editor. <i>Women and Romance: A Reader</i>. New York University Press, 2001.</p>

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<b>Article in a reference book</b>	<p>"Ideology." <i>The American Heritage Dictionary</i>. 3rd ed., 1997.</p> <p>"Japan." <i>The Encyclopedia Americana</i>. International ed., 1973.</p>
<b>Multivolume works</b>	<p><b>One volume of a multivolume work:</b></p> <p>Quintilian. <i>Institutio Oratoria</i>. Translated by H. E. Butler, vol. 2, Loeb-Harvard UP, 1980.</p> <p><b>More than one volume of a multivolume work, cite the total number of volumes:</b></p> <p>Quintilian. <i>Institutio Oratoria</i>. Translated by H. E. Butler, Loeb-Harvard UP, 1980. 4 vols</p> <p><b>If the volume you are using has its own title, cite the book without referring to the other volumes.</b></p>
<b>No author (anonymous)</b>	<p><i>American Heritage Guide to Contemporary Usage and Style</i>. Houghton, 2005.</p> <p><i>The Bible. Authorized King James Version</i>, Oxford UP, 1998.</p> <p><i>New York Public Library American History Desk Reference</i>. Macmillan, 1997.</p>

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<b>Journal article</b>	<p>Barthelme, Frederick. "Architecture." <i>Kansas Quarterly</i>, vol. 13, no. 3-4, 1981, pp. 77-80.</p> <p>Stoltz, Molly, et al. "Can Teacher Self-Disclosure Increase Student Cognitive Learning." <i>College Student Journal</i>, vol. 48, no. 1, 2014, pp. 166-72.</p>
<b>Magazine article</b>	<p>Buchman, Dana. "A Special Education." <i>Good Housekeeping</i>, Mar. 2006, pp. 143-48.</p> <p>Poniewozik, James. "TV Makes a Too-Close Call." <i>Time</i>, 20 Nov. 2000, pp. 70-71.</p>

<b>Newspaper article</b>	<p>Haughney, Christine. "Women Unafraid of Condo Commitment." <i>New York Times</i>, 10 Dec. 2006, late ed., pp. 1+.</p> <p>Manning, Anita. "Curriculum Battles from Left and Right." <i>USA Today</i>, 2 Mar. 1994, p. 5D.</p>
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Online magazine	<p>O'Neil, Lorena. "The Link Between Natural Disasters and Domestic Abuse." <i>The Atlantic.com</i>. Sept. 2016. <a href="http://www.theatlantic.com/health/archive/2016/09/disaster-domestic-abuse/501299/">www.theatlantic.com/health/archive/2016/09/disaster-domestic-abuse/501299/</a>. Accessed 28 Sept. 2016.</p>

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