MLA 8th Edition Citation Guide

PARTS OF A CITATION	EXAMPLES	SPECIAL NOTES
1. Author(s) . Think of the "author" as the creator. For example, it might be an artist, a photographer, an illustrator depending on the medium you're citing.	**Example**: Melvin, Don .	Last name , first name .
2. Title of Source . **Sources are titles of articles, books, web pages, chapters, etc. Quote, italicize, or underline title as appropriate.**	**Example**: "UNICEF: Shipment of Medical Supplies, Other Aid Reaches Yemen's Capital ."	Be sure to capitalize the first and last words, and all important words in between, in all titles.
3. Title of Container , **There may be more than one container.** **Containers are the places in which sources are contained. There may be more than one container. Underline when writing; italicize when typing.**	**Example**: CNN Wire , **Other containers include:** World Health Organization , UNICEF , UNHCR , World Food Programme , New York Times ,Washington Post ,Kids InfoBits ,	**REMEMBER**: Be sure to capitalize the first and last words and all important words in between in all titles. A book would not have a container, unless you're using a **chapter** in a book. Then the book is the container. The chapter would be the "title of source."
4. Other Contributors ,	**Example:** Translated by T. Jones ,	There may not be any.
5. Version ,	**Example:** Authorized King James Version , Updated version ,	There may not be one.
6. Number ,	**Example:** vol. 3 , no. 2 , Season 4, episode 10 ,	There may not be one.
7. Publisher ,	**Example:** Benchmark Books ,	There may not be one. This is mainly for text resources.
8. Publication Date ,	**Examples**: 10 April 2015 , Jan. 2018 , Spring 2003 , 2018 ,	Use European date format when you have the day, month, and year.
9. Location . (URL or page/pages)	**Example**: go.gale.group . www.youtube.com . p. 52 . pp. 620-630 .	The new MLA guidelines eliminate the "http" and "https" at the beginning. In middle school, you can stop after the .com, .org., or .edu when handwriting.

SAMPLE CITATION (handwritten):
Melvin, Don.   "UNICEF: Shipment of Medical Supplies, Other Aid Reaches Yemen's Capital."
        CNN Wire, Kids InfoBits, Gale, 10 April 2015, go.gale.group.com.
SAMPLE CITATION (typed):
Melvin, Don.   "UNICEF: Shipment of Medical Supplies, Other Aid Reaches Yemen's Capital."
        CNN Wire, Kids InfoBits, Gale, 10 April 2015, go.gale.group.com.

"Works Cited: A Quick Guide." *The MLA Style Center*, 2018,
        https://style.mla.org/works-cited-a-quick-guide/.

Works Cited Guidelines

1. The list of works cited comes at the end of research.
2. Center the words "Works Cited" at the top of its own page.
3. Use the same font used in your paper as well as one inch margins.
4. Arrange all entries in alphabetical order according to the author's last name.
5. If there is no author, arrange by the title/first word of the resource.
   EXCEPTION: Ignore the words "a," "an," and "the."
6. Begin all entries at the left margin.
7. If the entry runs more than one line, indent 5 spaces for each line that follows.
8. Double space the entire page(s). Do not put extra spaces between entries.

SAMPLE:

By using nine ingredients, always in the same order, the new MLA 8th edition greatly eliminates the need for sample citations. However, here are a few samples for perusal.

CITATION FORMAT EXAMPLES

1. **Book with one author**

Example:
Paulsen, Gary. *Hatchet.* Bradbury Press, 1987.

2. **Book with two authors**

Example:
Collier, Christopher, and James Lincoln Collier. *With Every Drop of Blood*.

   Bantam Doubleday Dell Publishing, 1994.

3. **Book with more than two authors**

Example:
Pendergast, Tom, et al. *Constitutional Amendments*. Gale, 2001.

4. **Book without an author.**

Example:
Science and Technology Desk Reference. Gale, 1996.

5. **Book with an editor.**

Example:
Knappman, Edward W., editor. *Great American Trials*. Gale

   Research Inc., 1993.

6. **Encyclopedia article with an author.**

Example:
Caldwell, Jim. "Marsh." *Encyclopedia Americana*. Vol. 18, 1995,

   pp. 362-363.

7. **Encyclopedia article without an author.**

Example: "Mold." *The New Book of Popular Science*. Vol. 5, 1994, pp. 447-448.

8. **Magazine article with an author.**

Example:
Reese, Jim. "A Rush for Gun Control." *Newsweek*. 5 March 1982,

   pp. 22-23.

9. **Magazine article without an author.**

Example: "Make Photography a Snap." *Seventeen*. Dec. 1990, p. 8.

10. **Newspaper article with an author.**

Example:
Elliott, Ann. "State Blocks Plainville Mall." *The Herald*. 21 April 1995, p. 12.

11. **Newspaper article without an author.**

Example:
"In Trayvon's Death, Ugly Echoes." *USA Today, Middle Search Plus, ResearchIt CT,*

   23 March 2012.

12. **Reprints of magazine/newspaper articles.**
    (Use format for magazines/ newspapers / databases / search engines, as appropriate.)

13. **Search Engines/Databases with an author.**

Examples:
Hutcherson, Kimberly. "Vaccines and Aid Workers Arrive in Yemen after Blockade."

   CNN Wire, Kids InfoBits, Gale, 25 Nov. 2017, go.galegroup.com.

Wheelis, Mark. "Investigating Disease Outbreaks Under a Protocol to the Biological

   and Toxin Weapons Convention." *Emerging Infectious Diseases*, vol. 6, no. 6,

   2000, pp. 595-600, wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid/article/6/6/00-0607_article.

14. **Search Engines/Databases without an author.**

Example:
"Echoes on the Highway of Freedom." *Newsweek, Middle Search Plus, ResearchIt CT*,

      vol. 153, issue 4-A, 27 Jan. 2001, web.e.ebscohost.com.

15. **World Wide Web site.**

Example:
"Vegetarian and Vegan." *Cooking Light*, 2018, www.cookinglight.com.

16. **Image on-line.**

Example:
Hamiti, Bess. "Tree in Beautiful Sunset." *Pixabay*. 24 April 2015.
      pixabay.com/en/tree-sunset-amazing-beautiful-736885/.

17. **E-Mail.**
Format: Last name of author, first name of author. Use the subject of the email as the title, with standard capitalization for titles.
Example:
Schrock, Kathy. "Re: School Holidays." Received by Kim Meyers,

      18 Sept. 2018.

18. **Tweet or other short untitled message**

Format: Reproduce its full text, without changes, in place of a title. Enclose the text in quotation marks.
Example:
@ctcaslchat. "Wow! There is so much to look forward to!" *Twitter*, 9 Oct. 2018,

      8:23 p.m., Twitter app.

19. **Personal Interview.**

Example:
Clinton, Bill. Personal interview. 15 Sept. 1994.

20. **Pamphlet.**

Format: Last name of author, first name. *Title of Pamphlet.* Date of publication.
.
Example: Wahle, Lisa. *Plants and Animals of Long Island Sound.* 1991.

21. **Corporate/Govt. Authors.**

Example:
United Nations. *Consequences of Rapid Population Growth in Developing*

   Countries. Taylor and Francis, 1991.

22. **Television Episode.**

Example:
"Hush." *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*, created by Joss Whedon, performance by Sarah

   Michelle Gellar, season 4, episode 10, Mutant Enemy, 1999.