Ready, Set, Cite (MLA)

The Works Cited List

Works Cited Basics

Placement: The Works Cited list appears at the end of the paper, on its own page(s). If your research paper ends on page 8, your Works Cited begins on page 9.

Arrangement: Alphabetize entries by author's last name. If source has no named author, alphabetize by the title, ignoring A, An, or The.

Spacing: Like the rest of the MLA paper, the Works Cited list is double-spaced throughout. Be sure NOT to add extra spaces between citations.

Indentation: To make citations easier to scan, add a hanging indent to any citation that runs more than one line.

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Citation Examples
Use the links below to see examples of source citations. Don’t forget that when in doubt verify the accuracy of any citation example by using the MLA Handbook.

- MLA Citation Examples
  Created by MJC Librarians. Shows examples of sources used by MJC students.

- Commonly Cited Sources at MJC
  [http://library.mjc.edu/documents/MLA7_commonlycitedsources.rtf](http://library.mjc.edu/documents/MLA7_commonlycitedsources.rtf)
  Shows examples for the most often requested source citations at MJC.

- Citing Web Documents in MLA Format
  Created by Librarian Kathleen Ennis for her Research Concepts & Practice course.

- Annotated Bibliographies
  [http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/614/01/](http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/614/01/)
  Learn how to create annotated bibliographies from the OWL at Purdue.

### Citation Maker Tools

One you understand the basic form of citation, you may find it saves time to utilize a citation generator. To successfully use any of these citation tools, it is crucial you have a clear understanding of:

1. The TYPE of source you are using (magazine article vs. book vs. reference book article)
2. The PLACE where you found that source (in print at the library vs. online via a database vs. online via a Web site)
3. The source’s full "bibliographic information" (authors/editors, title, edition, publisher, pages, etc)

**Alert:** These tools are not perfect! We recommend you verify the accuracy of the citations generated by these tools using the citation style's official manual.

- NoodleTools Express
  When you need one or two quick citations in MLA, APA, or Chicago style, simply generate them in NoodleBib Express then copy and paste what you need into your document. Note: Citations are not saved and cannot be exported to a word processor using this version of NoodleBib. Includes CrossRef DOI lookup.

- Citation Builder
  [http://www.lib.unc.edu/house/citationbuilder/](http://www.lib.unc.edu/house/citationbuilder/)
  Excellent citation tool from UNC.

- KnightCite Citation Service
  [http://www.calvin.edu/library/knightcite/](http://www.calvin.edu/library/knightcite/)
  Online citation generator service provided by the Hekman Library of Calvin College.

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