# Citing Resources MLA Style

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* Dates are given in this format: Day Month abbreviated year. Example: 4 July 2009.
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## Citing a Website

Last name, first name of author or editor. *Name of site.* Version number of site. Name of institution or organization that sponsors or publishes the site, Day Month Year of site's creation. Web. Day Month Year you accessed the site.

## Citing a Webpage On a Website

Last name, first name of author or editor. Name of webpage." *Name of site.* Version number of site. Name of institution or organization that sponsors or publishes the site, Day Month Year of site's creation. Web. Day Month Year you accessed the page.

## Citing a Work of Art, Image, or Photo from a Website That Is Also In a Physical Institution, Such As a Museum

Last name, first name of artist or creator. *Name of work of art, image, or photo.* Day Month Year of work's creation. Name of institution or organization that sponsors or publishes the site or houses the work of art. *Name of Website*. Web. Day Month Year you accessed the page.

## Citing a Work of Art, Image, or Photo Only On a Website

Last name, first name of artist or creator. *Name of work of art, image, or photo.* Medium of work (photograph, graphic, sculpture, etc.) *Name of site.* Version number of site. Name of institution or organization that sponsors or publishes the site, Day Month Year of site's creation. Web. Day Month Year you accessed the page.

## Citing an Article from an Online Database

Last name, first name of author or editor. "Name of article." *Name of journal.* Volume Issue number (Day Month Year of article publication): page range article appeared in original publication. *Name of database.* Medium of original publication. Day Month Year you accessed the page.

## Citing an E-mail

\*In "Message to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_" give the name of the person to whom the message was written, such as "Message to the author" or "Message to John Doe."

Author. "Subject line of e-mail message." Message to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Day Month Year message was sent. E-mail.

## Citing a Book with One Author

Last name, first name of author. *Title of book.* Version number of site. Place of publication: Publisher's name, year of publication. Print.

## Citing a Book with More Than One Author

(In the list of authors list, make sure to place the "and" before the last author's name).

Last name, first name of first given author, and first name last name of second and third authors. *Title of book.* Version number of site. Place of publication: Publisher's name, year of publication. Print.

## Citing a Book with No Author

*Title of book.* Version number of site. Place of publication: Publisher's name, year of publication. Print.

## Citing a Work in an Anthology or Other Collection

Last name, first name of author. "Title of work." *Title of anthology or collection.* Ed. Editor's name. Place of publication: Publisher's name, year of publication. Page range article appeared in original publication. Print.

## Citing an Entry in a Reference Resource

"Title of entry." *Title of reference.* Edition number ed. Year of publication. Print.

## Citing a Religious Book

*Title of religious book.* Ed. Editor's name. Place of publication: Publisher's name, year of publication. Print.

## Citing a Periodical

Last name, first name of author. "Title of article." *Title of periodical. Day Month Year of publication:* Page range article appeared in original publication. Print.

## Citing a Personal Interview

Last name, first name of the person you interviewed. Personal interview. Day Month Year of interview.

## Citing an Oral Presentation

Last name, first name of speaker. "Title of speech or oral presentation." *Title of event, meeting.* Title of organization hosting the presentation. Location of event. Day Month Year of event. Description of event (such as: Lecture, Keynote address, Conference presentation).

## Citing a Work of Art, Image, or Photo

Last name, first name of artist or creator. *Name of work of art, image, or photo.* Day Month Year of work's creation. Name of institution or organization that sponsors or publishes the site or houses the work of art.

## Citing a Movie or Film

*Name of film.* Dir. Director's first name and last name. Perf. list of major performers by first name and last name. Movie studio name, Year of movie's release. Film.

\*For recorded movie or film, use DVD, VHS, Blu-ray, etc. for medium type.

## Citing a Television or Radio Program

"Name of episode." *Name of television or radio program.* Name of network. Call letters of station, City of station. Day Month Year of episode broadcast. Medium (Television or Radio).

## Citing a Recorded Song

Artist last name, first name or group's name. "Title of song." *Name of album,* year of release. Medium (CD, audiocassette, MP3, etc.)

## Citing an Electronic Document

Last name, first name of author or creator. "Title of work." Year of document's creation. Medium (PDF file, Microsoft Word file, JPEG, etc.)