

MLA 9 Citation Quick Guide

Source	Works Cited Entry	In-Text Citation
Book with one author	<p>Anatomy of a citation for a book: Last name of author, First name. <i>Title of the book in italics.</i> Publisher, Publication date.</p> <p>Example: Cain, Susan. <i>Quiet Power: The Secret Strengths of Introverts.</i> Puffin Books, 2016.</p>	<p>(author's last name page number)</p> <p>(Cain 208)</p>
Book with two authors	<p>Example: Lagarde, Jennifer, and Darren Hudgins. <i>Fact vs. Fiction: Teaching Critical Thinking Skills in the Age of Fake News.</i> International Society for Technology in Education, 2018.</p>	(Lagarde and Hudgins 82-98)
Newspaper article from our library databases (unknown author)	<p>Anatomy of a citation for an online newspaper article "Article title in quotation marks." <i>Title of the newspaper in italics.</i> Date of article written as date Month year, page(s). <i>Title of the database.</i> URL without the http://.</p> <p>Note: If the city is not included in the newspaper's name, put the city in square brackets after the title of the newspaper. [City]</p> <p>Example: "Pipeline protest felt across Canada; Upwell of support for Wet'suwet'en blockade seen in several cities." <i>Toronto Star</i>, 10 Feb. 2020, p. A2. <i>Gale In Context: Canada</i>, link.gale.com/apps/doc/A613510193/CIC?u=67sbo&sid=CIC&xid=87e4f43f.</p>	<p>Cite by title of article since the author is unknown</p> <p>("Pipeline protest" A2)</p>
Single page on a website with unknown author and no page number	<p>Anatomy of a citation for a webpage with unknown author: "Title of page in quotation marks." <i>Title of the website in italics,</i> date Month year, URL without the http://.</p> <p>Example: "How to Spot Fake News." <i>IFLA (The International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions)</i>, 8 Jan. 2020, www.ifla.org/publications/node/11174.</p>	<p>("How to spot")</p> <p>Page number not available.</p>

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Entire website	<p>Example: <i>Shakespeare Lives</i>. British Council, 2016, shakespearelives.org.</p> <p>Note: "When a nongovernment organization is both author and publisher, you may skip the author element and begin the entry with the work's title. List the organization only as publisher" (sec. 5.19, MLA Handbook)</p>	<i>(Shakespeare Lives)</i> Page numbers not available.
Journal article from our library databases with known author	<p>Anatomy of a citation for a journal article: Last name, First name. "Title of the article in quotation marks." <i>Title of the Journal in italics</i>, volume, issue number, year, page(s). <i>Title of database in italics</i>, URL without http://.</p> <p>Example: Crittenden, Camille. "The Kids Are Online--and Alright: Lack of broadband access is a greater threat to the well-being of young people than too much access." <i>Issues in Science and Technology</i>, vol. 36, no. 1, 2019, p. 43+. <i>Gale In Context: Canada</i>, link.gale.com/apps/doc/A604716160/CIC?u=67sbo&sid=CIC&xid=0c734edc.</p>	(Crittenden 43)
Online image	<p>Anatomy of a citation of an online image: Last name of photographer, First name. "Title of photograph." <i>Title of the source</i>, date Month year, URL without http://.</p> <p>Example: Littlehales, Bates. "Sea Science." <i>National Geographic</i>, 11 Feb. 2021, www.nationalgeographic.com/photography/photo-of-the-day/2021/02/underwater-habitat-sylvia-earle/.</p>	(Littlehales)

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Online video	<p>Anatomy of a citation for an online video: Last name of author/speaker, First name. "Title of the video." <i>Title of the website</i>, Publisher of the site, Month year, URL without the http://.</p> <p>Example: Brown, Brené. "The Power of Vulnerability." <i>TED</i>, TEDxHouston, June 2010, www.ted.com/talks/brene_brown_the_power_of_vulnerability?language=en.</p>	(Brown 00:03:42-5:28)
Social media post	<p>Example: Obama, Barack [@POTUS]. "Today is a big step in our march toward equality. Gay and lesbian couples now have the right to marry, just like anyone else. #LoveWins." <i>Twitter</i>, 26 June 2015, twitter.com/POTUS/status/614435467120001024.</p>	(Obama)
Personal Interview	<p>Example: Smith, David. Personal interview. 22 May 2019.</p>	

Points to Remember for MLA 9 Citation

- In-text citations** are required in the body of your paper when you use direct quotes or when you paraphrase something from a source. The citation information is placed in brackets directly after the quote or paraphrase.
MLA - (author's last name page(s) number) - no comma in between
- A **works cited list** must be included at the end of your paper on its own page. The title Works Cited is centered on the page and the entire list is double-spaced. The entries are listed in alphabetical order with hanging indentation.

Examples of In-Text Citation	MLA 9 – (author page number) *no comma in between
Direct quote	<p>In the book, <i>The Nature Principle</i>, Louv states that, "Time in nature helps both the child and the parent by building their shared sense of attachment and by reducing stress" (145).</p> <p>*The author's last name is not required because it was incorporated into the sentence with the direct quote.</p>
Paraphrasing	Spending time in nature can help people build their physical, emotional, and family fitness (Louv 46).

Sample List of Works Cited

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