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Book
One Author [MLA Handbook: 5.5.1 & 5.5.2]

author's full name
(last name, first name)

Cummings, James W.

title of book
Towards Modern Public Finance: The American War with Mexico, 1846-1848

Publication
(city of publication: publisher name)

year of publication
Print.

medium of publication
(if book, type “Print”)

This is the actual name of the work retrieved from the “Title Page.” 1846-1848 is the timeframe which the work examines or looks at.
Book
Two Authors [MLA Handbook: 5.5.1 & 5.5.4]

Book

Three Authors [MLA Handbook: 5.5.1 & 5.5.4]

Book
[MLA Handbook: 5.5.1 & 5.5.4]


Note: if there are 4 authors or more, you may name only the first and add et al. or give all names in full.
Book
Author/s with Illustrator/s [MLA Handbook: 5.5.12]

Edited Book
One Editor [MLA Handbook: 5.5.3 and 5.5.4]

Edited Book

Two Editors [MLA Handbook: 5.5.3 and 5.5.4]


Edited Book

Three Editors [MLA Handbook: 5.5.3, 5.5.4 and 5.5.13]
Edited Book
For or More Editors [MLA Handbook: 5.5.3 and 5.5.4]

Example 1


Example 2


*Note: if more than three authors, you may name only the first and add et al. or give all names in full.*
Edited Book
For or More Editors [MLA Handbook: 5.6.4]
Example 1


The number 17 lets you know that the article is 17 pages long. Thus, if the paper starts on page 179, it will end on page 195.
Journal Articles in an Online Database

For or More Editors [MLA Handbook: 5.6.4]

Example 1


To view paper, select (click) on "PDF Full Text."
Journal Articles in an Online Databases

[MLA Handbook: 5.6.4]

Three Authors:

Authors: Charisse Jones, Henry Chu and Nancy Ray
Article Title: Effects of Academic Coaching on Elementary and Secondary School Students
Publication Title: Journal of Educational Research
Volume: n/a
Issue and/or Number: n/a
Year of Publication: May 5, 1991
Page(s): A1
Medium of Publication: Web
Database Used: Proquest Newspapers
Date Retrieved (viewed): 22 June 2009

MLA Example:

Literature Resource Center
[MLA Handbook: 5.6.4]

Literary Criticism:

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MLA Example:

Literature Resource Center
[MLA Handbook: 5.6.4]

Articles:

- **Author(s) or Critic(s):** Fraser Bell
- **Title of Reference Entry:** This side of the barricades
- **Source:** Queen’s Quarterly
- **Volume:** 109
- **Issue and/or Number:** 4
- **Year of Publication:** Winter 2002
- **Page(s):** 519 (also written as: 519-530)
- **Medium of Publication:** Web
- **Database Used:** Literature Resource Center
- **Date Retrieved (viewed):** August 21, 2009

**MLA Example:**


Biographies:

Author(s): John A. Lent
Title of Reference Entry: Edgar Allan Poe
Volume: 73
Issue and/or Number: not given
Year of Publication: 1988
Page(s): no pages (n.p.)
Medium of Publication: Web
Database Used: Literature Resource Center
Date Retrieved (viewed): August 21, 2009

MLA Example:

Electronic Resource
[MLA Handbook: 5.6.2]

YouTube:

Source*: Jistaff
Title: Character Education Success in High School
Web site (italicized): YouTube.com
Publisher or Sponsor: YouTube
Date of published: November 19, 2009
Medium of publication: Web
Date Viewed: November 19, 2009†
URL: No URL is needed.

MLA Example:


*Source: name of the author, compiler, director, editor, narrator, performer, or translator of the work.
‡In YouTube the source is “jistaff.”
†The date an electronic resource was retrieved is important if the content you are citing is likely to be changed or updated.
Electronic Resource
[MLA Handbook: 5.6.2]

Website (example 1):

Title: Space Exploration
Web site (italicized): Wikipedia.org
Publisher or Sponsor: Wikipedia
Date item was published/modified: November 18, 2009
Medium of publication: Web
Date Viewed: November 19, 2009†
URL: No URL is needed.

MLA Example:

Electronic Resource
[MLA Handbook: 5.6.2]

Website (example 2):

Source*: Lydia Saad
Title: U.S. Waiting for Race Relations to Improve Under Obama
Publisher or Sponsor: Gallup
Date item was published/modified: November 9, 2009
Web site (italicized): Gallup.com
Medium of publication: Web
Date Viewed: November 19, 2009†
URL: No URL is needed.

MLA Example:

Electronic Resource

[MLA Handbook: 5.6.2]

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MLA Example:

Electronic Resource
[MLA Handbook: 5.5.7 and 5.6.2]

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MLA Example:


*Citing a specific entry among several for the same word, add Entry and the appropriate designation.

†The *Oxford English Dictionary* was accessed from the Los Angeles Public Library databases page at lapl.org.
Electronic Resource
[MLA Handbook: 5.5.7]

**Encyclopedia (print):**

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**MLA Example:**

Electronic Resource
[MLA Handbook: 5.6.2]

Encyclopedia (online):

Title: Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (U.S.S.R. or Soviet Union)
Web site (italicized): Encyclopaedia Britannica Online†
Publisher or Sponsor: Britannica Concise Encyclopedia
Date item was published/modified: 2009
Medium of publication: Web
Date Viewed: November 28, 2009
URL: No URL is needed.

MLA Example:


†The Encyclopaedia Britannica Online was accessed from the Oviatt Library databases page at http://library.csun.edu/xerxes/categories/a-z.