

MLA Citation – 8th ed. (2016)

Use This MLA Containers Worksheet Example to Create Citations

- List “core elements” of a source that are sometimes part of other sources (e.g. article in a journal in a database).
- Include only what information is available and appropriate for the source and leave extra elements blank.
- Use punctuation/formatting provided in the left column and leave one space after each punctuation mark.
- Find more details on containers at <https://style.mla.org/works-cited-a-quick-guide/>.

Basic Source Information

1	Author(s).	Fauria, Renee M. and Luana J. Zellner.
	writer(s), performer(s), organization, etc.	
2	<i>Title of Source.</i> –OR– “Title of Source.”	“College Students Speak Success.”
	<i>Title in italics</i> = book, film, photograph, etc. “Title in quotes” = web page, article, poem, chapter, etc.	

Container 1 - Journal

1	<i>Title of Container,</i>	<i>Journal of Adult Development,</i>
	database, book collection, journal, web site, etc.	
2	Other Contributors,	
	editors, directors, narrators, translators, creators, etc.	
3	Version,	
	edition	
4	Number,	vol. 22, no. 2,
	volume and/or issue	
5	Publisher,	
	book publisher, web site sponsor, etc.	
6	Publication date, (Note: <i>If end of container, end with period.</i>)	June 2015,
	year, month, season, day, time, etc.	
7	Location.	pp. 90-99.
	article paging, URL, DOI, permalink/stable URL, etc.	

Container 2 - Database

1	<i>Title of Container,</i>	<i>Academic Search Complete,</i>
	database, book collection, journal, web site, etc.	
2	Other Contributors,	
	editors, directors, narrators, translators, creators, etc.	
3	Version,	
	edition	
4	Number,	
	volume and/or issue	
5	Publisher,	
	book publisher, web site sponsor, etc.	
6	Publication date,	
	year, month, season, day, time, etc.	
7	Location.	doi:10.1007/s10804-014-9203-0.
	article paging, URL, DOI, permalink/stable URL, etc.	

Resulting Works Cited Citation:

Fauria, Renee M., and Luana J. Zellner. "College Students Speak Success." *Journal of Adult Development*, vol. 22, no. 2,

June 2015, pp. 90-99. *Academic Search Complete*, doi:10.1007/s10804-014-9203-0.

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MLA Works Cited Examples

A works cited list is arranged in alphabetical order by the author's last name or, in the case where a source has no author, by the first word in the title (ignore "A," "An" and "The"). Indent each line 0.5 inches (excluding the first line). Double-space between lines and between each entry. More MLA 8th edition citation examples are listed at <http://tinyurl.com/cyfairresearch>. For more details, consult the *MLA Handbook, 8th edition* at the reference desks or see <https://style.mla.org/>.

A Book by Two Authors

(**Note:** If 3 or more authors, you may put the first author listed & "et al." – for example, Jones, Robert, et al.]

Morgan, Deborah, and Nick Engler. *How to Build Outdoor Structures*. Sterling Publishing, 1987.

Essay in a Collection

Halfond, Irwin. "Iran-Contra Affair." *The Eighties in America*, edited by Milton Berman, vol. 2, Salem Press, 2008, pp. 528-31.


A Film or Video Recording

(**Note:** Start with the film/video title if you are discussing the work itself, rather than an individual who contributed to the work.)

Brain Games. Directed by Jeremiah Crowell, Vivendi Entertainment, 2011.

Online Database Sources

▼ Academic Search Complete (journal article with permalink URL)

(**Note:** Click "Permalink" (on the right side of a database entry with a  chain icon) to get the location (URL).)

Lee, Dwight R. "The Two Moralities of the Minimum Wage." *Independent Review*, vol. 19, no. 1, Summer 2014, pp. 37-46.

Academic Search Complete, lscsproxy.lonestar.edu/login?url=http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&AuthType=ip,cpid&custid=s1088435&db=a9h&AN=96548773&site=ehost-live.

▼ Humanities Full Text (journal article with DOI)

(**Note:** Use the permalink or stable URL from the database if no DOI listed.)

Safer, Elaine B. "Tragedy and Farce in Roth's *The Human Stain*." *Critique*, vol. 43, no. 3, Spring 2002, pp. 211-27.

Humanities Full Text, doi:10.1080/00111610209602181.

▼ US Major Dailies (newspaper article)

Bahrampour, Tara. "Study: Fewer Teens Sip Alcohol." *The Washington Post*, 24 Sept. 2017, p. C.1. *US Major Dailies*,

lscsproxy.lonestar.edu/login?url=https://search-proquest-com.lscsproxy.lonestar.edu/docview/1941886254?accountid=7054.

▼ Health Reference Center Academic (magazine article)

Bashir, Zarnaaz. "Partnering with Schools to Prevent Childhood Obesity." *Parks & Recreation*, Feb. 2011, pp. 45-46. *Health*

Reference Center Academic, go.galegroup.com/ps/i.do?id=GALE%7CA250885237&v=2.1&u=nhmccd_main&it=r&p=HRCA&sw=w&asid=9e8769f11c4ffeb1df766d79756e8bb7.

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▼ eBook Collection (online book)

Fennell, David A. *Ecotourism*. 4th ed., e-book, Routledge, 2015. *eBook Collection*, lscsproxy.lonestar.edu/login?url=http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&AuthType=ip,cpid&custid=s1088435&db=nlebk&AN=853916&site=ehost-live.

▼ Opposing Viewpoints (essay in a book collection in a database)

Rid, Thomas. "Think Again: Cyberwar." *Cybercrime*, edited by Noël Merino, Greenhaven Press, 2016. *Opposing Viewpoints in Context*, link.galegroup.com/apps/doc/EJ3010976209/OVIC?u=nhmccd_main&xid=44e4780a.

▼ Films on Demand (film clip in a database)

(Note: Film clips and segments of video programs should be in quotation marks. Entire videos are italicized.)

"Random Crime." *Armed and Undercover: Inside Secret America*, National Geographic, 2013. *Films on Demand*, lscsproxy.lonestar.edu/login?url=http://fod.infobase.com/PortalPlaylists.aspx?wID=99152&xtid=68833&luid=345012.

A Web Page

Humphries, Mark. "Arrested at Gunpoint for Not Speaking English?" *American Civil Liberties Union of Texas*, 2 June 2016, www.aclutx.org/en/news/arrested-gunpoint-not-speaking-english.

A Newspaper Article on the Web

(Note: Time when the item was posted online, if available, is listed after the date.)

DePillis, Lydia. "Houston's Factory Activity Feels Effects of Oil Downturn." *Houston Chronicle*, Hearst Communications, 28 June 2016, 4:23 p.m., www.chron.com/business/article/How-oil-takes-a-toll-on-Houston-s-factory-activity-8330092.php.

A Photograph on the Web

Gottfried, Morgan. *Ponte Vecchio in Florence*. Flickr, 26 Feb. 2014, www.flickr.com/photos/118853348@N08/12791206764/in/album-72157641554235705/.

A Corporate Author (government document)

(Note: When the corporate author is the same as the publisher, skip the author, start with the title, and list only the publisher.)

Invisible Wounds: Serving Service Members and Veterans with PTSD and TBI. National Council on Disability, 4 Mar. 2009, permanent.access.gpo.gov/gpo1990/ED507750.pdf.

A Video on the Web Uploaded

Integrity Commercial. YouTube, uploaded by GeorgiaCALLS, 16 Apr. 2015, www.youtube.com/watch?v=d6h7eznE3qQ.

A Video on the Web from Original Source (video segment from a television program)

(Note: Time when the item was posted online, if available, is listed after the date.)

"Nature: Yosemite." *Sunday Morning*, CBS News, 17 Apr. 2016, 1:09 p.m., www.cbsnews.com/videos/nature-yosemite/.

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In-Text Citation Examples

Web Page with One Author and No Paging

<p>Note: No page numbers are listed, so if the author is mentioned in the sentence, then no citation is needed at the end of the sentence. The title of the web page is the same as the publisher, so that information is not listed twice in the works cited citation.</p>	In-Text	<p>Livingston notes that “47% of stay-at-home fathers are living in poverty” based on 2012 Census Bureau information.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>A surprising statistic is that “47% of stay-at-home fathers are living in poverty” based on 2012 Census Bureau information (Livingston).</p>
	Works Cited	<p>Livingston, Gretchen. “Growing Number of Dads Home with the Kids.”</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Pew Research Center</i>, 5 June 2014, www.pewsocialtrends.org/2014/06/05/growing-number-of-dads-home-with-the-kids/.</p>

Article in a Library Database – Two Authors Listed

<p>Note: If there are three or more authors, list the first author’s name and “et al.” in the in-text (e.g., Jones et al. 234) and works cited (e.g., Jones, Bob, et al.) in the works cited citations. If no DOI is listed, use a permalink or stable URL.</p>	In-Text	<p>Fan and Gordon note that companies try to create a “personal connection” with customers via social media gimmicks like unique hashtags (80).</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Companies try to create a “personal connection” with customers via social media gimmicks like unique hashtags (Fan and Gordon 80).</p>
	Works Cited	<p>Fan, Weiguo and Michael D. Gordon. “The Power of Social Media Analytics.” <i>Communications of the ACM</i>, vol. 57, no. 6, June 2014, pp. 74-81. <i>Computer Source</i>, doi:10.1145/2602574.</p>

Video on the Web without an Author

<p>Note: Put the timing (i.e., hours, minutes, and seconds) from the video as the location for the in-text citation. Add the video posted time after the date in the works cited. List the full video title in a sentence or an abbreviated title in an in-text citation at the end of the sentence.</p>	In-Text	<p>In “Bernie Sanders Finally Endorses Hillary Clinton,” the Vermont senator promoted the candidacy of the front-runner, saying that he was “proud to stand with her today” (00:00:37-40).</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>The Vermont senator promoted the candidacy of the front-runner, saying that he was “proud to stand with her today” (“Bernie” 00:00:37-40).</p>
	Works Cited	<p>“Bernie Sanders Finally Endorses Hillary Clinton.” <i>Nightline</i>, ABC News, 14 July 2016, 2:48 a.m., abcnews.go.com/nightline/video/bernie-sanders-finally-endorses-hillary-clinton-40537533.</p>

Corporate Author

<p>Note: If the organization is both author and publisher, start the entry with the title and no author listing. Put the organization in the publisher’s spot. List the publisher information in the order from the lowest to highest organizational unit (p. 105 – MLA 8).</p>	In-Text	<p>In “Firefighters,” it is noted that many applicants may vie for job openings in the future, so it is helpful to earn high grades in specialized coursework.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Many applicants may vie for job openings in the future, so it is helpful to earn high grades in specialized coursework (“Firefighters”).</p>
	Works Cited	<p>“Firefighters.” <i>Occupational Outlook Handbook</i>, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor, United States, 12 Apr. 2019, www.bls.gov/ooh/protective-service/firefighters.htm.</p>

