

## MLA Works Cited and Parenthetical Documentation

### Works Cited

- Last page of the paper
- Entries in alphabetical order
- Author's or editor's last name first
- No author? Alphabetize first *important* word of the title.
- Lines other than the first line of each citation use a hanging indent (see the example at right).
- Missing some information in the citation? Leave it out and move on to the next piece of information.

### Parenthetical Citation (AKA "In-text citation")

- Use these when referencing a source's material (either quote, paraphrase, or summary)
- Place inside the period (like this!).
- Author credited in the sentence? Use only the number in the parenthetical citation.
- *Examples:* This idea has been presented elsewhere (Blake 52-53).  
Robert Blake also introduces this idea (52-53).  
Scholes argues "... " (27).

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### Works Cited

- Blake, Robert. "From Flying Buttresses to Legos." *Architecture 2*. (1997): 52-62. Print.
- Chan, Evans. "Postmodernism and Hong Kong Cinema." *Postmodern Culture* 10.3 (2000): n. pag. Project Muse. Web. 20 May 2002.
- Freire, Paulo. "The Banking Concept of Education." *IS 101 Reader: Inquiry Studies 101: Asking Questions, Making Choices* Ed. Rebecca Blair. Acton, MA: Copley Custom Textbooks, 2006. 111-126. Print.
- "The Grand Design." *People's Magazine*. 15 May 2010: 13. Print.
- Scholes, Robert. *Protocols of Reading*. New Haven: Yale UP, 1989. Print.
- Schutt, Robin. E-mail interview. 7 Oct. 2001.

### Book

#### Standard format:

Author's last name, Author's first name. *Title of the Book*. City of Publication: Publisher's name, year. Print.

#### Sample bibliographic entry:

Scholes, Robert. *Protocols of Reading*. New Haven: Yale UP, 1989. Print.

#### In text citations:

*Format:* (Author page[s]). *Example:* (Scholes 14).

### Print Journal

#### Standard format:

Author's last name, Author's first name. "Title of Article." *Journal Title* volume number. issue number (year of publication): page number(s) (n. pag. if unavailable). Print.

#### Sample bibliographic entry:

Blake, Robert. "From Flying Buttresses to Legos." *Architecture 2*. (1997): 52-62. Print.

#### In text citations:

*Format:* (Author page[s]). *Ex:* (Blake 58-59).

**Online Journal****Standard format:**

Author's last name, Author's first name. "Title of Article." *Journal Title* volume #.issue # (year of publication): page number(s). *Database*. Web. Date Accessed.

**Sample bibliographic entry:**

Tolson, Nancy. "Making Books Available: The Role of Early Libraries, Librarians, and Booksellers in the Promotion of African American Children's Literature." *African American Review* 32.1 (1998): 9-16. *JSTOR*. Web. 5 June 2008.

**In text citations:**

(same as for Print Journal)

*Format:* (Author page[s]). *Example:* (Tolson 12).

**Interview****Standard form:**

Person's last name, Person's first name. Type of Interview (Example: Personal, Telephone, Email). Date interviewed.

**Sample bibliographic entry:**

Schutt, Robin. E-mail interview. 7 Oct. 2001.

**In text citations:**

*Format:* (Person's last name). *Ex:* (Schutt).

**Anthology****Standard format:**

Author's last name (of the article), Author's first name. "Title of Article." *Title of Anthology*. Ed. Name of Editor. City of Publication: Publisher's name, year. Page number(s). Print.

**Sample bibliographic entry:**

Freire, Paulo. "The Banking Concept of Education." *IS 101 Reader: Inquiry Studies 101: Asking Questions, Making Choices*. Ed. Rebecca Blair. Acton, MA: Copley Custom Textbooks, 2006. 111-126. Print.

**In text citations:**

*Format:* (author page[s]). *Ex:* (Freire 116).

**Internet Website****Standard format:**

Author's last name (if known), Author's first name. "Title of Article or Page." *Title of Website or Association Affiliated with Site*. Publisher of Site. ( n.p. if unavailable), Date of Publication (n.d. if unavailable). Web. Date Accessed.

**Sample bibliographic entry:**

Green, Joshua. "The Rove Presidency." *The Atlantic.com*. Atlantic Monthly Group, Sept. 2007. Web. 15 May 2008.

**In text citations:**

*Format:* (author page[s]/screen[s]/paragraph[s]). *Ex:* (Green par. 5)

**Newspaper****Standard form:**

Author's last name, Author's first name. "Title of Article." *Name of Newspaper* date published, edition: page number(s). Print.

**Sample bibliographic entry:**

Chang, Kenneth. "The Melting (Freezing) of Antarctica." *New York Times* 2 Apr. 2002, late ed.: F1+. Print.

**In text citations:**

*Format: (author page[s]). Ex: (Chang F4).*

**Magazine****Standard form:**

Author's last name, Author's first name. "Title of Article." *Name of Magazine* date published: page number(s). Print.

**Sample bibliographic entry:**

Smith, Julie. "It Barks! It Kicks! It Scores!" *Newsweek* 30 July 2001: 12. Print.

**In text citations:**

*Format: (author page[s]). Ex: (Smith 12-14).*

**DVD****Standard form:**

*Title of DVD*. Dir. First Last. Perf. First Last, First Last. Year of Release. Studio name, Year of DVD. DVD.

**Sample bibliographic entry:**

*It's a Wonderful Life*. Dir. Frank Capra. Perf. James Stewart, Donna Reed, Lionel Barrymore, and Thomas Mitchell. 1946. RKO, 2001. DVD.

**In text citations:**

*Format: (Title). Ex: (It's a Wonderful Life).*