

**MLA (7th ed.)
Online Sources**



**MLA (Modern Language Association) Style – Citing Online Sources
Library Subscription Services (Online Databases)**

Elements (with samples):

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| 1. Author's name (last name, first name) | Kass, Leon R. |
| 2. Title of article (in quotation marks) | "Defending Human Dignity." |
| 3. Name of periodical (<i>italicized</i>) | <i>Commentary</i> (<i>Note: no period</i>) |
| 4. Volume. Issue | 124.5 |
| <i>Note: Journal citations always include the volume and issue number while magazine citations do not.</i> | |
| 5. Date of published (day month year) | (2007) |
| 6. Page number(s) | 53-61. |
| 7. Database Title (<i>italicized</i>) | <i>Expanded Academic ASAP.</i> |
| 8. Medium of publication | Web. |
| 9. Date of access (your visit to site) | 31 Aug. 2009. |

Formula:

Author. "Title of Article." *Name of Periodical* Volume. Issue. Date published: Page Number(s). *Database Title*. Medium of publication consulted. Date of access.

Examples for a Works Cited List

Kass, Leon R. "Defending Human Dignity." *Commentary* 124.5 (2007): 53-61. *Expanded Academic ASAP*.
Web. 31 Aug. 2009.

Loos, Ryland. "Hunting Animals Is Morally Acceptable." *Opposing Viewpoints: Animal Rights*. Ed. Andrew Harnack. San Diego: Greenhaven Press, 1996: n. pag. *Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center*. Web.
31 Aug. 2009.

Martinez, Al. "Things That Go Buzz in the Night." *Los Angeles Times* 11 Apr. 1999: 1. *ProQuest Newspapers*. Web. 31 Aug. 2009.

Nolte, Carl. "A City and Its Firemen Mourn Their Fallen Comrade." *The San Francisco Chronicle* 31 Oct. 2003: A18+. *LexisNexis Academic*. Web. 31 Aug. 2009.

Price, Tom. "Future of Journalism." *CQ Researcher* 27 Mar. 2009: 273-96. *CQ Researcher Online*. Web. 31 Aug. 2009.

Reyes, Sonia. "Fighting the FAT Backlash." *Brandweek* 5 May 2003: 24+. *Expanded Academic ASAP*. Web.
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Online Books

Note: If citing an online book that also appeared in print, begin the citation with the relevant facts about print publication (author(s), editor(s), title, place of publication, publisher, year published, etc.), followed by:

1. Title of the database or Web site (italicized)
2. Medium of publication consulted (Web)
3. Date of access (day, month, and year).

Berk, Laura E.. *Awakening Children's Minds: How Parents and Teachers Can Make a Difference*. New York: Oxford UP, 2004. *NetLibrary*. Web. 4 Sep. 2009.

LaPensee, Kenneth. "Vaccines and Vaccine Development." *Infectious Diseases: In Context*. Ed. Brenda Wilmoth Lerner and K. Lee Lerner. Vol. 2. Detroit: Thomson Gale, 2008. *Gale Virtual Reference Library*. Web. 4 Sept. 2009.

Web Pages

Note: A Web page is a single document (page) on the World Wide Web, a part of a Web site. It can be compared to online version of an article or a section of a book.

Elements:

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| 1. Name of the author, compiler, editor, or translator. | Green, Joshua. |
| 2. Title of the Web page or article (in quotation marks) | "The Rove Presidency." |
| 3. Title of the overall Web site or online periodical (<i>italicized</i>) | <i>The Atlantic.com</i> . |
| 4. Version or edition used [if any] | (not given) |
| 5. Name of the sponsoring institution or publisher | Atlantic Monthly Group, |
| 6. Date of publication or latest update | Sept. 2007. |
| 7. Medium of publication | Web. |
| 8. Date of access (your visit to site) | 8 Sept. 2009. |
| 9. URL | < http://www.theatlantic.com/doc/200709/karl-rove >. |

Note: You should include a URL as supplementary information only when the reader probably cannot locate the source without it or **when your instructor requires it**.

Formula:

Author(s). "Title of the Page." *Title of the Web site*. Version or edition used [if any]. Name of Sponsoring Institution, Date of publication. Medium of publication. Date of access. <URL optional, ask your instructor>.

Examples for a Works Cited List

Green, Joshua. "The Rove Presidency." *The Atlantic.com*. Atlantic Monthly Group, Sept. 2007. Web. 8 Sept. 2009.
<<http://www.theatlantic.com/doc/200709/karl-rove>>.

Henderson, Wade. "Unfinished Business." *Civil Rights Today*. Voices of Civil Rights, Apr. 2004. Web. 8 Sept. 2009.
<<http://www.voicesofcivilrights.org/civil2.html>>.

Tyre, Peg. "Standardized Tests in College?" *Newsweek.com*. Newsweek, 16 Nov. 2007. Web. 8 Sept. 2009.
<<http://www.newsweek.com/id/70750>>.

Van Helden, Albert et al., eds. "Copernican System." *The Galileo Project*. Rice University, 1995. Web. 8 Sept. 2009.
<http://galileo.rice.edu/sci/theories/copernican_system.html>.