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BOOKS

One author:

Last name, First name. *Title of Book*. Place of publication: Publisher, year of publication.

Medium.

Jones, Royce. *Anatomy of Criticism: Four Essays*. Chicago: MacMillan, 1988. Print.

Two authors:

Last name of 1st author, First name of 1st author, and First name of 2nd author Last name of 2nd author. *Title of Book*. Place of publication: Publisher, year of publication. Medium.

Rassmussen, Sandra Ann, and Jennifer Graystone. *The Ancient Women of Florence*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1989. Print.

More than two authors (et al. means "and others" in Latin):

Last name of 1st author, First name, et al. *Title of Book*. Place of publication: Publisher, year of publication. Medium.

Ottomaninski, Jameston, et al. *Exploring Architecture in New York City*. New York: Bantam, 1998. Print.

One editor, but no author:

Last name of editor, First name, ed. *Title of Book*. Place of publication: Publisher, year of publication. Medium.

Sanders, Ann, ed. *Diary of a Friendship*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1994. Epub file.

No author or editor, but new edition:

***Title of Book*. Edition. Place of publication: Publisher, year of publication. Medium.**

Primary Reference Books. 2nd ed. New York: Bowker, 1995. Print.

COLLECTIONS OR ANTHOLOGIES

A poem, short story, essay, or a chapter from a book that contains works by several authors:

Last name of poet, First name. "Title of Poem/Story/Essay/etc." *Title of Anthology or Collection*. Ed. Editor's name. Place of publication: Publisher, year of publication. Page/s. Medium.

Welty, Eudora. "At the Corner Store." *American Poets and Their Craft*. Ed. Gerald Levin. New York: Harcourt, 1995. 20-23. Print.

A poem, short story, essay, or a chapter from a collection of works by one author:

Last name, First name. "Title of Poem/Story/Essay/Chapter." *Title of Collection*. Place of publication: Publisher, year of publication. Page/s. Medium.

Anson, Margaret. "My Mama." *Poems*. New York: Doubleday, 1989. 11-12. Print.

ENCYCLOPEDIA ARTICLES

An encyclopedia article or entry with no author indicated:

"Title of article/entry." *Title of Encyclopedia*. Edition. Year of publication. Medium.

"The Dinner Party." *Masterplots*. 10th ed. 1976. Print.

An encyclopedia article with an author:

Last name, First name. "Title of article/entry." *Title of Encyclopedia*. Edition. Year of publication. Medium.

McKay, Nellie Y. "Angelou, Maya." *The World Book Encyclopedia*. 2nd ed. 2006. Print.

MAGAZINE, JOURNAL, AND NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

A magazine or journal article:

Last name, First name. "Title of Article." *Title of Magazine/Journal*. Date of issue: page/s. Medium.

Cain, William. "Big Business of the Nineties." *Business Week*. 16 Aug. 1998: 19-21. Print.

A newspaper article:

Last name, First name. "Title of Article." *Title of Newspaper*. Date of paper, edition: section page/s. Medium.

James, Noah. "The Books, Movies, and Plays Everyone Loves to Hate." *New York Times*. 22 Jan. 1998, national ed.: C12. Print.

INTERNET SOURCES

A website with an author's name listed:

Last name of author, First name. Title of Website. Date of website. Medium. Date website was accessed.

Carroll, Robert Todd. *The Skeptic's Dictionary: Witches*. 21 Dec. 2004. Web. 7 Mar. 2005.

An article from an online encyclopedia:

"Title of Article/Entry." Title of Online Encyclopedia. Medium. Date article was accessed.

"Zygotes." *Britannica Online*. Web. 14 Mar. 1999.

An internet website maintained by a professional organization:

Title of Website. Date of website. Name of organization sponsoring site. Medium. Date of access.

Einstein: Image and Impact. Aug. 1998. American Institute of Physics. Web. 13 Mar. 1999.

An article from an online magazine, newspaper, or journal:

Last name of author, First name. "Title of Article." Title of Online Publication. Date of publication. Medium. Date of access.

Sklaroff, Sara. "E-mail Nation." *U. S. News Online*. 22 Mar. 1999. Web. 31 Mar. 1999.

An online government publication:

Name of Country. Name of government agency. Office responsible for publication. Title of Website. Title of linked resource. Date of website. Medium. Date of access.

United States. Center for Disease Control. National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion. *Diabetes Public Health. Resource: FAQ About Diabetes*. 29 June 2000. Web. 25 Feb. 2001.

A personal web page:

Last name, First name. Home page. Date of website. Medium. Date of access.

Lawson, Anne. Home page. 1 Mar. 1998. Web. 7 Mar. 2005.

SUBSCRIPTIONS DATABASES

Article found through a library's subscription database (examples: ProQuest, eLibrary, Lexis/Nexus, etc.):

Last name of author, First name [see above "Books" for more than one author format]. "Title of Article." Title of original publication. Date of original publication: page number. Name of database. Name of subscriber to database, Place. Medium. Date article was accessed.

Densington, Kelley, and Charlotte McCormick. "Compaq and Apple Computers Target the Internet." The *International Computer and Electronics Reseller Journal*. 25 Sept. 1995: 307. ProQuest. Mount Si High School, Snoqualmie. Web. 25 Jan. 1997.

VIDEOTAPES, DVDS, AND SLIDESHOWS

With attributions:

Title of film. Director's name. Performers' names. Year of original film's release. Format. Name of distributor, year video/DVD produced. Medium.

Young Frankenstein. Dir. Mel Brooks. Perf. Gene Wilder, Peter Boyle, Marty Feldman, Cloris Leachman, Teri Garr, Kenneth Mars, and Madeline Kahn. 1974. DVD. Fox, 2004. Film.

Without attributions:

Title of Film. Format. Name of Distributor, year video/DVD produced. Medium.

Elusive Giant: The Blue Whale. Videocassette. American Educational Services, 1997. Film.

INTERVIEWS

Direct, first-hand interview:

Last name of person interviewed, First name. Position/relation of person. Personal interview. Date of interview.

Mason, Robert. President, Commercial Bank. Personal interview. 26 Jan. 1999.

PAINTINGS, SCULPTURES, OR PHOTOGRAPHS

Work of art:

Last name of artist, First name. *Title of Work of Art.* Year work was created. Owner of work, place of owner. Medium.

Evans, Walker. *Penny Picture Display.* 1936. Museum of Modern Art, New York. Painting

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