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Author's name. "Article title." [enclosed in double quotation marks] Publication title. [in italics] Edition [if stated]. Year of publication [do not include if stated in edition information]. Publication medium.

Example:

Beller, Steven. "Vienna." The World Book Encyclopedia. 2009 ed. Print.

Citing a magazine article

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Author's name. "Article title." [enclosed in double quotation marks] Publication title [in italics] Date of publication: page numbers. Publication medium.

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Jackson, Thomas A. "Power for a Space Plane." Scientific American Aug. 2006: 56-62. Print.

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Format:

Author's name. "Article title." [enclosed in double quotation marks] Publication title [in italics] Date of publication, edition [if given], section letter or number [if applicable]: page numbers. Publication medium.

Example:

Wronski, Richard. "Prairie Parkway Project on a Road to Nowhere?" Chicago Tribune 4 May 2009, sec. 1: 6. Print.

Citing a personal interview

Interviewed person's name. Kind of interview. Date of interview.

Example:

Meyers, Davin. Personal interview. 4 May 2009.

Citing an ebook

Format:

Author's name. Full book title. [in italics] Edition [if stated]. Volume number(s) [if a multivolume work]. City of publication: Publisher's name, year of publication. Title of database or Web site. [in italics] Publication medium. Date of access.

Example:

Wharton, Edith. The Age of Innocence. New York: D. Appleton and Company, 1920. World Book Advanced. Web. 16 January 2009.

Citing a book with one author

Format:

Author's name. Full book title. [in italics] Edition [if stated]. Volume number(s) [if a multivolume work]. City of publication: Publisher's name, year of publication. Publication medium.

Example:

Eshleman, Clayton. Grindstone of Rapport: A Clayton Eshleman Reader. Boston: Black Widow Press, 2008. Print.

Citing a book with two or more authors

Format:

Author's name [last name first], next listed author's name(s) in normal form. Full book title. [in italics] Edition [if stated]. Volume number(s) [if a multivolume work]. City of publication: Publisher's name, year of publication. Publication medium.

Example:

Gates, Henry L., Jr., and Evelyn B. Higginbotham, eds. African American National Biography. 8 vols. New York: Oxford University Press, 2008. Print.

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Citing a Web site

Format:

Author's name. "Article or Web page title" [if part of a larger work]. [enclosed in double quotation marks] Web site title. [in italics] Publisher or sponsor of the site, Date of publication. Publication medium. Date of access.

Example:

Beasley, Maurine H. "Roosevelt, Eleanor." World Book Student. World Book, 2009. Web. 20 Jan. 2009.

Citing a radio or television program

Format:

"Episode or segment title." [enclosed in double quotation marks] *Program title*. [in italics] Name of the network. Call letters, city of local station [if any], Broadcast date. Medium of reception (Radio or Television).

Example:

"State of Denial." 60 Minutes. CBS. WBBM, Chicago, 1 Oct. 2006. Television.

Citing a podcast

If the podcast is accessed from the Web:

Format:

"Description or title of individual podcast." [enclosed in double quotation marks] *Title of podcast program or series.* [in italics] *Title of Web site* [if distinct from title of podcast program or series]. [in italics] Publisher of podcast, Date of publication. Publication medium. Date of access.

Example:

"Iconic Images Emerge from Mideast Summits." *All Things Considered.* Natl. Public Radio, 27 Nov. 2007. Web. 6 Jan. 2009.

If the podcast is stored on a computer or digital device:

Format:

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Example:

"Iconic Images Emerge from Mideast Summits." *All Things Considered.* Natl. Public Radio, 27 Nov. 2007. MP3 file.

Citing a film or video recording

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Title of film or video recording. [in italics] Director [if given]. Original release date [if relevant]. Distributor, year of release. Publication medium.

Example:

America's Endangered Species: Don't Say Good-Bye.
Dir. Robert Kenner. National Geographic Society,
2008. DVD.

Citing a government publication

Format:

Government name. Issuing agency name. *Publication title*. [in italics] City of publication: Publisher, year of publication. Publication medium.

Example:

United States. Census Bureau. *Statistical Abstract of the United States: 2002.* Springfield, VA: National Technical Information Service, 2001. Print.

Citing a pamphlet

Format:

Author's name. *Pamphlet title.* [in italics]. City of publication: Publisher's name, year of publication. Publication medium.

Example:

Modern Language Association. Language Study in the Age of Globalization: The College-Level Experience. New York: MLA, n.d. Print.

Citing a blog

Format:

Author's name. "Title of individual blog entry." [enclosed in double quotation marks] *Title of blog*. [in italics] Date posted. Publication medium. Date accessed.

Example:

West, Jessamyn. "on the road." *librarian.net*. 27 February 2009. Web. 10 March 2009.

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