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General MLA Citation Tips

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1. The works cited page will include all of the items referenced within the text. Other acceptable titles for a works cited page include "Bibliography" and "Literature Cited."
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6. Publication information is the city, publisher name, and year of publication.
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8. For Internet resources, professional and personal web entries begin with an author's last name (when presented).
9. Web page citations will include an access date and working address.

MLA examples

1. Books and nonperiodicals

Zucker, Ross. Democratic Distributive Justice. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2001.

Glantz, David M., and Jonathan J. House. When Titans Clashed: How the Red Army Stopped Hitler. Kansas: University Press of Kansas, 1995.

2. Book, second edition

Zintz, Miles V. Corrective Reading. 3rd ed. Dubuque: Wm. C. Brown Company Publishers, 1977.

3. Book, edited

Sparkes, Brian A., ed. Greek Civilization: an Introduction. Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishers Ltd., 1998.

4. Book review

Muller, Lloyd H. "TQM and Bill Creech Revisited." Rev. of The Five Pillars of TQM: How to Make Total Quality Management Work for You, by Bill Creech. Logistics Spectrum 34.2 (2000): 31-2.

5. Article in a reference book

Schroeder, Harry W., Jr. "Genetic Disorders." Encyclopedia of Public Health. Ed. Lester Brwslow. 4 vols. New York: Macmillan Reference Group USA, 2002.

6. Periodicals, issues each begin with page one

Freiberg, Jerome H. "Essential Skills for New Teachers." Educational Leadership 59.6 (2002): 56-60.

7. Personal or professional web site

Brown, David K. Doucette Index: K-12 Lesson Ideas for Literature. 15 March 2002. Doucette Library Of Teaching Resources, University of Calgary. 19 April 2002 <<http://www.educ.ucalgary.ca/litindex/>>.

Ashland University Library. 22 April 2002. Ashland University. 24 April 2002 <<http://www.ashland.edu/library>>.

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