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Print Resources (Viewed in Print Form)

Book by One Author

Last Name, First Name. Title. Place of publication: Publisher, Copyright Date.

Example:

Jameson, George P. Ellis Island. New York: Icon Press, 2006.

Book by Two Authors

Last Name, First Name and First Name Last Name. Title. Place of publication: Publisher, Copyright Date.

Example:

Smith, Henry G. and Betty Harmon. Freedom Rides. Chicago: Broad Shoulder Press, 2006.

Encyclopedia (NOTE: The author is usually listed at the end of the article. If an author is not listed, begin the entry with the title of the article.)

Last Name, First Name. “Title of Article.” Name of Encyclopedia. Edition Year.

Example:

Franz, Charlene. “Goat.” World Book. 2006 ed.

A Work within a Larger Work (Anthology)

Last Name, First Name. “Title of work.” Title of Anthology. Editor’s First Name Last Name. Place of Publication: Publisher, Copyright Date. Page numbers.

Example:

Stevens, Wallace. “Sunday Morning.” Modern American Poetry. Ed. Thomas J. Hines. New York: Holt, Rinehart and Winston, 2003. 20-22.

Newspaper Article

Last Name, First Name. “Title of Article.” Newspaper Name Date: page(s).

Example:

Blake, Terry. “Attack in Bagdad: Two Marines Dead.” The Plain Dealer 20 July 2006: A1.

Magazine Article

Last Name, First Name. “Title of Article.” Title of Magazine Date: page numbers.

Example:

Thomasson, Ronald. “Salt Mines of Lake Erie.” Cleveland Magazine 15 May 2004: 23-25.

Non-Print Resources (Viewed Electronically)

Online Database—Encyclopedia

"Title of Article." Name of Encyclopedia. Year. Name of online source. Date
<URL (Persistent link)>.

Example:

"Whale Oil." Encyclopedia Britannica. 2006. Encyclopedia Britannica Online. 23
August 2006 <<http://search.eb.com/eb/article-9076727>>.

Online Database—Articles provided through Infohio.org Databases

Last Name, First Name. "Title of Article." Original Print Source Title. Date. Online
source name. Date accessed <URL Persistent link>.

Example:

Freeman, Gregory A. "Code Alpha: The President is Coming!" American History.
October 2006. Academic Search Premier. 6 October 2006
<<http://web.ebscohost.com/ehost/detail?vid=7&hid=1&sid=13275eeb-239a-4ec6-a998-d2dda6dc9f66%40sessionmgr101>>.

Internet Website (Note: it is sometimes very difficult to find all of the information you need to make a proper citation for a website. Try to find as much information as possible.)

Author (if given). "Title of Web Page." Title of Website. Date last updated. Name
of organization that sponsors the site. Date accessed <URL link>.

Examples:

Flannery O'Connor Collection. 7 July 2006. Georgia College and State University.
31 August 2006. <<http://library.gcsu.edu/~sc/foc.html>>.

Walker, Gary. "The Effects of Radiation." Hiroshima Atom Bomb. 15 Mar. 2000.
Los Alamos Research Facility. 14 Oct. 2008.
<<http://www.larf.org/hiroshima/radiationeffects.htm>>.

TV / Radio Transcript

"Title of TV / Radio episode or segment." Title of Program. Broadcast date.
Transcript. Name of Database Used. Date accessed <URL link>.

Example:

"Special Edition: The War in Iraq Part II." CNN Special Report. 5 April 2003.
Transcript. eLibrary. 27 March 2006. <<http://elibrary.bigchalk.com>>.

Video Documentary

Title of Film. Director's First Name Last Name. Copyright Year. Medium.
Production Company Name. Edition Date.

Example:

Finding Harmony. Kent Williams. 2003. DVD. Zen Buddhist Lecture Series Video.
2003.