



MLA 9: Guiding Principles

The MLA Handbook provides a "universal set of guidelines" for citing sources across all format types. Luckily, the 9th edition mainly expands upon the rules listed in the 8th edition. There are no significant changes in Works Cited/In-Text Citations (whew!).

These guidelines state that, if given, these major elements should be included in the citation:

1. Author.
2. Title of Source.
3. Title of Container,
4. Other Contributors,
5. Version,
6. Number,
7. Publisher,
8. Publication date,
9. Location.

Sometimes, elements 3-9 will repeat again, if say, your journal was inside a database.

Putting it all together:

Goldman, Anne. "Questions of Transport: Reading Primo Levi Reading Dante." *The Georgia Review*, vol.64, no. 1, 2010, pp.69-

88. *JSTOR*, www.jstor.org/stable/41403188.

Works Cited Page & Example

A Works Cited page is an alphabetical list of the sources you paraphrased or quoted within the text of your paper. Your parenthetical citations within the text of your paper should point to a corresponding entry on this page:

The Works Cited page should:

- Be at the end of your paper and be numbered consecutively with the rest of your paper
- Include the words Works Cited centered at the top of the page
- Include all sources paraphrased or quoted within you paper
- Be alphabetized by the source - usually this is by an author's last name but could be by title in entries where there are no authors.
- Have hanging indents, which means the lines after the first line of an entry are indented.

See the example below.

Works Cited

Farkas, Meredith. "Tips for Being a Great Blogger (and a Good Person)." *Information Wants to Be Free*, 19 July 2011, meredith.wolfwater.com/wordpress/2011/07/19/tips-for-being-a-great-blogger-and-good-person/.

Hannah, Daniel K. "The Private Life, the Public Stage: Henry James in Recent Fiction." *Journal of Modern Literature*, vol.30, no. 3, 2007, pp. 70-94. *JSTOR*, www.jstor.org.ezproxy.lib.uwf.edu/stable/30053134.

Kimball, Jean. "Growing Up Together: Joyce and Psychoanalysis, 1900-1922." *Joyce through the Ages: A Nonlinear View*, edited by Michael Patrick Gillespie, UP of Florida, 1999, pp. 25-45.

Garcia Marquez, Gabriel. *Love in the Time of Cholera*. Vintage, 1988.

UWF Libraries. "Meet Your Librarian: Britt." *YouTube*, 5 Sept. 2017, <https://youtu.be/v6ZHjpN78pE>

WEAR 3 [@wear3]. "Surfers catching some waves near Okaloosa Island Pier this #memorialday before #Alberto. Thanks, Shannon Quinlan, for the video!" *Twitter*, 28 May 2018, twitter.com/weartv/status/1001167152966234113]