

# MLA Style: The Works Cited List

The following examples show how to document print and electronic sources for a research paper using the Modern Language Association (MLA) citation style. In this style, sources are briefly cited in parentheses within the text of a research paper, using the author's surname and the page number of the specific material being used in the paper. A detailed list of the sources referred to in the parenthetical citations is provided at the end of the research paper on a separate page, with **Works Cited** centered at the top of the page.

All entries in the Works Cited list are double spaced,

using hanging indents (first line at left hand margin, subsequent lines indented). Details on how to prepare the Works Cited list are found in Chapter 5 of the MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers, 6th ed., available in the Library's Reference Collection (call number: LB 2369 G53 2003 REF).

The following examples are intended as a brief guide only. For further clarification and examples of how to document different types of sources, please consult the MLA Handbook. Note: the numbers in square brackets refer to the rule number found in the manual.

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## Print Sources

### Book by one author [5.6.1]

London, Jack. The Sea Wolf. Boston: Houghton, 1964.

### Two or more books by the same author [5.6.3]

Austen, Jane. Mansfield Park. New York: Dutton, 1963.

---. Pride and Prejudice. New York: Oxford UP, 1970.

### Book by two or more authors [5.6.4]

Binder, Arnold, and Gilbert Geis. Methods of Research in Criminology and Criminal Justice.

New York: McGraw, 1983.

### Work in an anthology [5.6.7]

Saso, Michael. "Chinese Religions." The New Penguin Handbook of Living Religions. Ed.

John R. Hinnels. 2nd ed. Toronto: Penguin, 1998. 445-478.

### Article in a scholarly journal with continuous pagination [5.7.1]

Yachnin, Paul. "Reversal of Fortune: Shakespeare, Middleton, and the Puritans." ELH 70 (2003): 757-786.

### Article in a newspaper [5.7.5]

Petrunic, Josipa. "Illness linked to Pasta Salad Spreads." Toronto Star 21 May 2002: A2.

### Article in a magazine [5.7.6]

Shilts, Elizabeth. "Water Wanderers." Canadian Geographic May-June 2002: 72-78.

### Government publication [5.6.21]

Canada. External Affairs and International Trade Canada. Canada and the World Environment.

Ottawa: Supply and Services, 1992.

## Electronic Sources

### “The basic entry”: A document from an Internet site [5.9.1]\*

“This Day in Literary History: December 10.” History Channel.com. 2003. A&E Television Networks. 18 Dec. 2003 <<http://www.historychannel.com/tdih/lit.html>>.

### An entire Internet site [5.9.2]

Shakespeare Resource Center. Ed. J.M. Pressley. 11 Nov. 2003. 18 Dec. 2003 <<http://www.bardweb.net/>>.

### Online book (e-book) [5.9.3]

Schreiner, Olive. Undine. New York: Harper, 1928. Victorian Women Writers Project. Ed. Perry Willett. Jan. 1999. Indiana U. 17 Dec. 2003 <<http://www.indiana.edu/~lettrs/vwwp/schreiner/undine.html#Text>>.

### Work from a library subscription service (database) [5.9.7a]

Izenberg, Oren. “Language Poetry and Collective Life.” Critical Inquiry 30 (2003): 132– . Academic Search Premier. EBSCO. Patrick Power Library, Halifax, NS. 18 Dec. 2003.

### Article in a scholarly journal (online) [5.9.4]

Mitsi, Efterpi. “The ‘popular philosopher’: Plato, Poetry, and Food in Tudor Aesthetics.” Early Modern Literary Studies 9.2 (2003): 1-23. 17 Dec. 2003 <<http://www.shu.ac.uk/emls/09-2/mitsfood.html>>.

### Article in a newspaper (online) [5.9.4b]

Galt, Virginia. “Night Shifts Ready for Wake-up Call.” Globe and Mail 13 Dec. 2003. 18 Dec. 2003. <<http://www.theglobeandmail.com/servlet/ArticleNews/TPStory/LAC/20031213/RWORK13>>.

### Article in a magazine (online) [5.9.4c]

Duncan, Emma. “Filling the World’s Belly.” Economist.com 11 Dec. 2003. 18 Dec. 2003 <[http://www.economist.com/displaystory.cfm?story\\_id=2261775](http://www.economist.com/displaystory.cfm?story_id=2261775)>.

### Online Government Publication [5.9.3c]

Canada. Dept. of Canadian Heritage. Discover Canada: Canadian Culture Online. A Report of the National Advisory Board. July 2003. 18 Dec. 2003 <[http://www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/pcce-ccop/pubs/discanada/dcanada\\_e.pdf](http://www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/pcce-ccop/pubs/discanada/dcanada_e.pdf)>.

*\*NOTE: In this and the following examples, the first date is the creation or revision date of the web page; the second date is your access date (note: the online book example also includes the date of first publication of Undine).*