

MLA Style Guide for Works Cited Page

Modern Language Association

According to the guidelines of the Modern Language Association, the list of sources used in a research paper, formerly called a bibliography, is now to be called a list of Works Cited. It still appears at the end of the research paper and is numbered as a continuation of the text.

Why do we cite our sources?

- Give credit where credit is due
- Provide “breadcrumb trail” of research
- Allow audience to look further into your topic
- Allow audience or fellow scholars to critique and/or improve your work
- Provide validity to your final product
- Practice proper formatting for college papers!
Making these habits now is better for the long run.

Works Cited:

- **Citing a website with an author**
- **Structure:**
- Last, First M. "Article Title." *Website Title*.
Website Publisher, Date Month Year
Published. Web. Date Month Year Accessed.
- *Make sure to only include the URL if the source cannot be found easily.*

Works Cited:

Example:

Feinberg, Ashley. "What's the Safest Seat in an Airplane?" *Gizmodo*. Gawker Media, 28 Mar. 2013. Web. 30 Mar. 2013.

The screenshot shows a Gizmodo article titled "What's the Safest Seat in an Airplane?" by Ashley Feinberg, published on March 28, 2013. Annotations with arrows point to the following elements:

- Website title:** GIZMODO
- Article title:** What's the Safest Seat in an Airplane?
- Author:** Ashley Feinberg
- Publication date:** MAR 28, 2013 1:00 PM

Website publisher: Often found at the bottom of the website. Can also be located under the *About Us* section of a website. If you can't identify a publisher, doing a quick search online can help you identify it.

The screenshot shows the footer of the Gawker Media website, which includes the following information:

- GAWKER MEDIA** (with logo)
- Navigation links: ABOUT, OUR TITLES, OUR WORK, OUR PRODUCTS
- GIZMODO** logo and **8.6 MILLION MONTHLY** visitors
- Quote: "ONE OF THE BIGGEST BLOGS IN THE WORLD." - FORBES
- Social media stats: **470,000+ FOLLOWERS** (Twitter) and **464,000** (Facebook)

Works Cited:

- **Citing a website with no author**
- *Note: Depending on the content, credible websites do not always include authors.*
- **Example:**
 - "Website Article." *Website Title*. Website Publisher, Date Month Year Published. Web. Date Month Year Accessed.

Works Cited:

Example:

"India." *Travel.State.Gov*. Bureau of Consular Affairs, U.S. Department of State, 17 Feb. 2010. Web. 4 May 2010.

The screenshot shows the U.S. Department of State Travel.State.Gov website. The header includes the U.S. Department of State logo and the text "U.S. DEPARTMENT of STATE" and "TRAVEL.STATE.GOV BUREAU OF CONSULAR AFFAIRS". The date "Tuesday May 4, 2010" is displayed. Navigation tabs for "INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL", "PASSPORTS", and "VISAS" are visible. The main content area features a sidebar with links like "International Travel Home", "A-Z Index of Topics", and "New Requirements for U.S. Citizens". The main content area displays the Indian flag, the title "India", and "Country Specific Information". Below this, there are links for "Recent Embassy Notices" and "India Travel Alert". A section titled "On this page »" lists various topics like "Country Description", "Entry/Exit Requirements", "Safety and Security", "Crime", "Information for Victims of", "Medical Facilities and Health", and "Medical Insurance". The date "February 17, 2010" is shown at the bottom of the main content area. The footer contains links for "About Us", "Help & Contacts", "Email this Page", "Print", "Search", and "Top of Page", along with the text "This site is managed by the Bureau of Consular Affairs, U.S. Department of State."

Website title

Article title

Author: N/A
When no author is identified, leave it out of the citation.

Publication date

Website publisher: Often found at the bottom of the website.

Works Cited:

Author Rules:

- List entries alphabetically by last name.
- Works with no authors:
 - If there is no author given, alphabetize the works by the title.

Works Cited:

- Citing one author
 - To cite an author, use the last name followed by the first name and if given, the middle name or initial.
- Example:
 - Last name, First name. *Title*. City: Publisher, Year.

Authors

Book
Title

Perry, H.B, Breitner, B. Physician Assistants: Their Contribution to Health
Care. New York: Springer Publishers, 1982.

Publisher

Date of
Publication

Works Cited:

- Citing two authors
 - To cite two authors, use the last name followed by the first name and then inverse to first name and last name.
- Example:
 - Last name, First name and First name Last name. *Title*. City: Publisher, Year.

Works Cited:

- No Author Given
 - For a book: Start the entry with title of the book
- Example:
 - *Maze*. Maryville, MO: Northwest Missouri State Univeristy, 2012. Print.

In-Text Citation

- Any time you refer to, comment on, paraphrase, or quote another writer's information, you must document this in your essay through the use of a citation.
- The purpose of an MLA in-text citation, sometimes called a parenthetical reference, is to help readers easily find the sources in the Works Cited page that correspond to your referenced passage.

Example:

In-text Citation

Your words/ideas

Quotation

Some would further argue that it is ethically indefensible to “allow a scarce natural resource that is essential to human life” to be privatized and sold bottle by bottle to the citizens of any country (Brick 37).

Author & page number of quotation.

List of Works Cited

Author

Title

Brick, Jennifer H. *Bottled Gold: Water, Poverty and the Corporatization of Natural Resources*. Toronto: Green Island Press, 2012. Print.

Publication City

Publisher

Publication year

Format

Works Cited Format

- Works Cited Format
 - 1 inch margins
 - 12 point font
 - Last name/page # in header
 - Center & Capitalize Works Cited at top
 - Double space of each entry
 - Hanging indent of second & subsequent lines of citation

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Example

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