This handout is designed to help you prepare a bibliography in the Modern Language Association publication style, commonly referred to as MLA. The formats below are from *MLA Handbook of Writers of Research Papers, 7th ed.* The section from the book where you can find more details are listed with each entry, e.g. (MLA 5.4.1). If you have questions about this handout or need assistance on a different style, please check with a reference librarian.

**Remember to double space and indent ½” all but the first lines.**

**The page heading for the sources cited in your paper is: Works Cited**

**ONLINE DATABASES:** (MLA 5.6.4.)

Articles from databases such as OmniFile Full Text Select, ERIC, Academic OneFile, etc.

**Article in a Scholarly Journal:**

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The italicized ‘xx’ represents the volume number.
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Lastname, Firstname. “Title of Article.” *Name of Journal* xx.# (year): ##-##. *Name of Database*.
Web. Date of Access

This # represents the issue number. These ‘##’ represent the page numbers.

Example from OmniFile Full Text Select:


**Article in a Magazine:** (MLA 5.4.6.)

After the title of the magazine, give the complete date (day, month abbreviated -except for May, June, and July). Next, insert a colon, then the complete page range of numbers. If you do not know the page range, or if it is printed on nonconsecutive pages, give the first page number and “+” sign.

Author’s name (if given). “Title of Article.” *Title of Magazine* Date of publication: xx-xx. *Name of Database*.
Web. Date of Access.

These ‘##’ represent the page numbers.

Example from OmniFile Full Text Select:

AUTHORS (applicable to Books and Periodicals):

Books:

One Author (5.5.2.)


Two Authors (5.5.4)

Lastname, Firstname, and Firstname Lastname. *Title of Book.* Place of Publication: Publisher, Year. Print.

Three Authors (5.5.4)


Electronic Book (5.6.2.d)


REFERENCE BOOKS: DICTIONARIES & ENCYCLOPEDIA ARTICLES (MLA 5.5.7.)

Specific Definition in Dictionary


Specialized Reference Encyc:


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