

MLA: How to create a Works Cited Page:

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Bernstein, Mark. "10 Tips on Writing the Living Web." *A List Apart: For People Who Make Websites*. A List

Apart Mag. 16 Aug. 2002. Web. 4 May 2009.

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Examples:

(Aristotle).

(Bernstein).

("How to Make Vegetarian Chili").

(Lewis, 76)

(*Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*)

When do you use in-text citations?

After ANY piece of information that is not an idea of yours from your brain.

You put an in-text citation after EACH paraphrase, EACH quotation AND EACH summary.

Creating Your Works Cited Page (First!)

I recommend creating your **Works Cited Page** first. This should be on a completely separate page at the **end** of your research paper. Format this page like the rest of your paper (font, margins, etc.). For your cited sources, you will want to use the “hanging indent” feature of Microsoft Word. This means that the 2nd and subsequent lines of citations are indented to the right, by five spaces or 1 tab.

Here are some common features you should try and find before citing **electronic sources** in MLA style. Not every Web page will provide all of the following information. However, collect as much of the following information as possible both for your citations and for your research notes. Whichever information from the following that you can find, enter it on your Works Cited Page in the following order:

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When a source has no known author, use a title of the work instead of an author name. Place the title in quotation marks if it's a short work (e.g. articles) or if it's a longer work, italicize it (e.g. plays, books, television shows, long websites) and provide a page number.

We see so many global warming hotspots in North America likely because this region has "more readily accessible climatic data and more comprehensive programs to monitor and study environmental change . . ." ("Impact of Global Warming" 6).

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- Include in the text the first item that appears in the Work Cited entry that corresponds to the citation (e.g. author name, article name, website name, film name).
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