

MLA Citation for 6th Grade

Important:

- At the top of the citation page put **Works Cited**.
- MLA citations should always be double-spaced (one single-space line between each line of text).
- All lines after the first line of the citation should be indented one-half inch.
- Capitalize each word in a title except for small words such as a, and, of, the, etc.
- Put your citations in alphabetical order. Do not use numbers or bullets.
- Skip any information you are unable to find.
- Pay close attention to the punctuation in the examples below.

Citing a Book

Last Name, First Name. *Title of book*. City of publication: Publisher's name, YYYY.

example:

Utsumi, Kyle. *The Life and Times of Franklin Racine-Jones*. Atherton: Bowen Books, 2004.

Citing a Book With Multiple Authors

Last Name, First Name, First Name Last Name, and First Name Last Name. *Title of Book*. City of publication: Publisher, YYYY.

example:

Chandler, Laurie, Nancy McPhaul, and Nancy Fortman. *Recess Games at Menlo School*. Atherton: Bowen Books, 2006.

Citing an Encyclopedia

Most encyclopedia articles do not have authors. Start with the title of the article.

"Title of Article." *Name of Encyclopedia*. Edition (abbreviate as ed.). City of Publication: Publisher, YYYY.

example:

"Chickasaw Indians." *World Book Encyclopedia*. 2003 ed. Chicago: World Book, Inc., 2003.

Citing a Newspaper or Magazine Article

If an article continues to pages that are not consecutive, provide the first page followed by a +.

Last Name, First Name. "Title of Article." *Name of Magazine* DD Mo. YYYY: Pages.

examples:

Berlick, Carly. "Why Have There Been No Great Women Comic-Book Artists?" *ArtNews* Nov. 2005: 166-169.

Stangel, Luke. "Officials Sketch Fate of Schools." *Palo Alto Daily News* 18 Jan. 2006: 1+.

Online Resources

Citing an article From a Database

Remember that a database is not the same as a website. Databases usually include articles that were originally available in print. Provide the information about the print source and the name of the database.

Last Name, First Name. "Title of Article." *Name of Magazine or Newspaper* DD Mo. YYYY. Available from: Name of Database.

Orr, John. "Give the Gift of Scary Reading." *San Jose Mercury News* 29 Nov. 2002. Available from: Gale Infotrac.

Citing a Website

"Title of Web Page." <web page address> DD Mo. YYYY. (date you saw the website)

example:

"Miss Fortman's Website." <<http://sun.menloschool.org/~nfortman/>> 12 Jan. 2006.

Citing an online image

When citing an image you found using Google images, be sure you include the web address of the page where the image was originally posted. DO NOT use the address of the enlarged image.

"Title of image." Image. <web page address> DD Mo. YYYY. (date you saw the image)

example:

"Eastern Cottontail Rabbit." Image. <<http://www.csc.noaa.gov/acebasin/specgal/ecotrabb.htm>>

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