

MLA Style - 8th Edition

CORE ELEMENTS

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- style.mla.org/
- lcc.edu/library/help/citation/

Author.

Format: Last Name, First Name (MLA 21-22).

Title of Source.

Title of the journal article, book, collection of essays. The title is put in quotation marks if it is part of a larger work, it is italicized if it is independent (i.e. title of a book) (MLA 25-29).

Title of Container,

What the source was found in. **Example:** the title of the periodical, the name of a CD, the name of a television series, the title of a book that is a collection of essays (MLA 30-36).

Other Contributors,

Other people credited with creating the source. Include the description of the role. **Example:** edited by, translated by, directed by (MLA 37-38).

Version,

The edition of the source or description of the version. **Example:** 7th ed., or Authorized King James Version (MLA 38-39).

Number,

Volume and/or issue number (if available). **Example:** vol.5, no.2, could also be a TV episode or comic book number (MLA 39-40).

Publisher,

The organization responsible for making the source public (MLA 40-42).

Publication Date,

Write the most recent, full date, as you find it (MLA 42-46).

Location,

Where the source is. Can be a page number, DOI, or URL, name of a museum, city, or a street name. Use p. for a single page and pp. for a page range (MLA 46-50).

Container 2

A second container is only needed if it varies from the first container (MLA 31-36).

Location,

Location of container 2.