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Article on an online database	Author's name. "Title of the Article." <i>Title of the Publication</i> , Vol #. Number #. Date of publication, Pages (if listed). <i>Name of the Database</i> , Date of access.	Alonso, Alvaro, and Julio A. Camargo. "Toxicity of Nitrite to Three Species of Freshwater Invertebrates." <i>Environmental Toxicology</i> , vol. 21, no. 1, 3 Feb. 2006, pp. 90-94. <i>Wiley Online Library</i> , Accessed 29 December 2002.
Magazine, Newspaper, or Journal article: from a website (not database)	Author name. "Article Title." <i>Publication Title</i> , vol. #, no. # (if available), Day Mon. Year published, URL. Date of Access.	Jensen, Cheryl. "Fastening Seat Belts: The 3 Seconds that Save Lives." <i>Consumer Reports</i> , Aug. 2016, www.consumerreports.org/car-safety/fastening-seat-belts-3-seconds-that-save-lives/ . Accessed 30 Nov. 2016.
Online Image, Famous Work	Name of artist or username. <i>Title of the Work</i> . Date of creation. Institution where the work is housed. <i>Name of the Website where you found the work</i> . Date of access.	Klee, Paul. <i>Twittering Machine</i> . 1922. Museum of Modern Art, New York. <i>The Artchive</i> , www.artchive.com/artchive/K/klee/twittering_machine.jpg.html . Accessed 2 May 2016.

Online Image, available online only	Name or artist or username of artist. "Title of the work." <i>Name of the Website</i> , date posted, URL. Date of access.	Mrpictureman. "Groundhog." <i>Animals Are My Friends</i> , 2 June 2016, www.animalsfriends.tumblr.com. Accessed 10 Aug. 2017.
Print Sources		
Book by one author	Last Name, First Name. <i>Title of Book</i> . Publisher, Publication Date.	Henley, Patricia. <i>The Hummingbird House</i> . MacMurray, 1999.
Book by more than one author	Last Name, First Name, and First Name Last Name. <i>Title of Book</i> . Publisher, Publication Date.	Gillespie, Paula, and Neal Lerner. <i>The Allyn and Bacon Guide to Peer Tutoring</i> . Allyn and Bacon, 2000.
Article in a multivolume work	Author. "Title of Article." <i>Title of Book</i> . Vol. Number, Publisher, Publication Date.	Goodman, Sarah. "Foods that Heal." <i>Nutrition</i> . Vol. 2, Harvard University Press, 2013.
A work in an anthology of collection	Last name, First name. "Title of the article." <i>Title of the Collection</i> , edited by Editor's Name (s), Publisher, Publication Date, Page range of entry.	Harris, Muriel. "Talk to Me: Engaging Reluctant Writers." <i>A Tutor's Guide: Helping Writers One to One</i> , edited by Ben Rafoth, Heinemann, 2000, pp. 24-34.
Poem	Last name, First name. "Title of the Poem." <i>Title of the Book</i> , edited by Editor's Name(s), Publisher, Publication Date, Page Range of Entry.	Burns, Robert. "Red, Red Rose." <i>100 Best-Loved Poems</i> , edited by Philip Smith, Dover, 1995, p. 26.
Article in a Magazine	Author(s). "Title of the Article." <i>Title of the Magazine</i> , Day Month Year, page range.	Buchman, Dana. "A Special Education." <i>Good Housekeeping</i> , Mar. 2006, pp. 143-48.
Audio/ Visual		
Song	Artist. "Title of the Song." <i>Name of the Album</i> , Record Label, Date of Publication, <i>Name of Website</i> (if found online), URL.	Rae Morris. "Skin." <i>Cold</i> , Atlantic Records, 2014, <i>Spotify</i> , open.spotify.com/track/00PES3Tw5r86O6fudK8gxi. Accessed 30 Nov. 2016.
Movie	<i>Title</i> . Directed by First Name Last Name, performances by First Name Last Name, First Name Last Name (if relevant). Film Studio, Release Year.	<i>Empire Records</i> . Directed by Allan Moyle, performances by Renee Zellweger, Liv Tyler, and Rory Cochrane. Monarchy Enterprises, 1995.
YouTube Video	Author (if any). "Title of Video." <i>YouTube</i> , Uploader, date uploaded, URL. Date of Access.	"8 Hot Dog Gadgets put to the Test." <i>YouTube</i> , uploaded by Crazy Russian Hacker, 6 June 2016, www.youtube.com/watch?v=WBlpjtELs. Accessed 15 July 2015.

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