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Examine each source to find out:

Who is the author? What is the title? How was the source published? Where did you find the source? When was it published?

Book

Lastname, Firstname, and Firstname Lastname. *Title of Book*. Edition if needed, Publisher abbreviated, Year published.

Example, one author:

Haenfler, Ross. *Goths, Gamers and Grrrls: Deviance and Youth Subculture*. 3rd ed., Oxford UP, 2016.

Example, two authors:

Wallace, Harvey, and Cliff Roberson. *Family Violence: Legal, Medical, and Social Perspectives*. 7th ed., Routledge, 2014.

For help with book citations, go to WorldCat database; enter ISBN and use "Cite This Item" link.

Journal articles from library databases

Remember: use the database citation tools!

Use copy and paste to avoid typing long URLs

Lastname, Firstname. "Title of Article." *Title of Journal*, volume, issue, Publication date, pp (if there is no page number, use *n.pag.*). *Name of Database*, online DOI/ permalink/ URL where found.

Example:

McDermott, Jim. "My Inner Zombie: Living with 'The Walking Dead.'" *America*, vol. 213, no. 12, 26 Oct. 2015, p. 29. *Academic OneFile*, go.galegroup.com/ps/i.do?id=GALE%7CA436232268&v=2.1&u=cazc_main&it=r&p=AONE&sw=w&asid=259323757322497d07e6671fa5267b47

Example, with more than two authors:

Wharton, Christopher M., et al. "Weight Loss Practices and Body Perceptions Among US College Students." *Journal of American College Health*, vol. 56, no. 5, March/ April 2008, pp. 579-584. *OmniFile*, web.b.ebscohost.com/ehost/detail/detail?vid=6&sid=983b3a80-0a6d-4b2c-8a97-71519e2dda33%40sessionmgr102&bdata=JnNpdGU9ZWZvc3QtbGl2ZQ%3d%3d#AN=508047941&db=ofs

One work from a collection (essays or poems from a book, songs from an album, etc.)

Lastname, Firstname. "Title of Essay, Story, Poem or Song." *Title of Book or Album*, edited by Firstname Lastname, Publisher abbreviated, Year published, pp.

Example, essay:

Kovac, Matthew. "Body Cameras Are Helpful But Insufficient for Stopping Police Brutality." *Police Brutality*, edited by Michael Ruth, Greenhaven P, 2016, pp. 127-132.

Example, song:

Beyoncé. "Pretty Hurts." *Beyoncé*, Parkwood Entertainment, 2013, www.beyonce.com/album /beyonce/?media_view=songs.

Government documents

Paper versions will usually have the Government Printing Office as publisher. For web versions, the publisher is the department that placed the information online.

Country or State, Agency. *Title of Document*. Publishing organization, Publication date, URL where found [if online version used]

Example, book version:

United States, Census Bureau. *Statistical Abstract of the United States, 2010*. 129th ed., Government Printing Office, 2009.

Example, online version:

United States, Census Bureau. *Statistical Abstract of the United States, 2010*. 129th ed., United States Census Bureau, 2009, www.census.gov/library/publications/2009/compendia/statab/129ed.html

Article, chapter or section from an e-book

Author of section, if given. "Title of Chapter or Section." *Title of Book or Album*, edited by Firstname Lastname, edition, volume, Publisher abbreviated, Year published, pp. *Online source*, online DOI/ permalink/ URL where found

Example:

"Nurse Practitioners." *Career Information Center*. Edited by Kristin B. Mallegh and Joseph Palmisano, 10th ed., vol. 8, Macmillan Reference USA, 2014, pp. 197-200. *Gale Virtual Reference Library*, go.galegroup.com/ps/i.do?id=GALE%7CCX3723700373&v=2.1&u=cazc_main&it=r&p=GURL&sw=w&asid=229207236d131a34e1600c878f9eaf43

Entire e-book

Lastname, Firstname. *Title of Book*. Edition if needed, Publisher abbreviated, Year published. *Online source*, online DOI/ permalink/ URL where found.

Example:

Klein, Grady, and Yoram Bauman. *The Cartoon Guide to Climate Change*. Island P, 2014. *EBook Collection (EBSCOhost)*, search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=nlebk&AN=778922&site=ehost-live.

Article or page from a website

For some online sources, professors may ask for "**date accessed**" to see when a website was consulted. See the first example here

Author(s). "Title of Webpage." *Title of Site*, Publication date, URL. [Accessed date is optional element] Accessed day month year.

Example, with an author name and date accessed:

Wagner, Katie. "The Fix – Manuscript Conservation." *Smithsonian Libraries: Unbound*, 21 Apr. 2016, blog.library.si.edu/2016/04/fix-manuscript-conservation/#.Vzzg8OSwS9Y. Accessed 8 Aug. 2016.

Example, no author given, estimated publication date:

"Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone (2001)." *IMDB*, [2001?], www.imdb.com/title/tt0241527/?ref_=fn_al_tt_1.

YouTube or other online videos

"Uploaded by" and uploaded date describe who added a video to the site and when it was made available

"Title of the Video." *Title of Website*, uploaded by Firstname Lastname or username, Date uploaded, URL. [if video is part of a database or service like Hulu or Netflix, add that *Name* and the URL to citation – see 2nd example]

Example, YouTube:

"George RR Martin and Stephen King." *YouTube*, uploaded by Andy Atkins, 21 June 2016, www.youtube.com/watch?v=v_PBqSPNTfg.

Example, streaming video from CAC databases:

"Rise of the Hackers." *NOVA*, uploaded 31 Jan. 2015. *Films on Demand*, fod.infobase.com/PortalPlaylists.aspx?wID=18515&xtid=60738

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