

New MLA citation guidelines  
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The Modern Language Association has published a new *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers* (7th edition), with citation changes in effect April 2009. General paper formatting (margins, headings, etc.) and in-text citations will remain the same, but all **Works Cited** style entries will be different from the 6th edition guidelines.

**No More Underlining!** MLA now requires *italicizing* titles of independently published works (books, periodicals, films, etc).

**No More URLs!** While website entries will still include authors, article names, and website names, when available, MLA no longer requires URLs.

**Publication Medium.** Every entry receives a medium of publication marker. Most entries will be listed as **Print** or **Web**, but other possibilities include **CD**, **DVD**, or **TV**. Most of these markers will appear at the end of entries; however, markers for Web sources are followed by the date of access.

**New Abbreviations.** Many web source entries now require a publisher name, a date of publication, and/or page numbers. When no publisher name appears on the website, write N.p. for no publisher given. When sites omit a date of publication, write n.d. for no date. For online journals that appear only online (no print version) or on databases that do not provide pagination, write n. pag. for no pagination.

**A. Book:**

**new version**

Bird, Caroline. *Enterprising Woman*. New York: Norton, 1976. Print.

**old version**

Bird, Caroline. Enterprising Woman. New York: Norton, 1976.

**B. Print article:**

**new version**

Begley, Sharon. "A Healthy Dose of Laughter." *Newsweek* 4 Oct. 1982: 74. Print.

**old version**

Begley, Sharon. "A Healthy Dose of Laughter." Newsweek 4 Oct. 1982: 74.

**C. Magazine article from a library database:**

**new version**

Dineen, Shauna. "The Make-up Labyrinth." *E Magazine* Nov. 2005: 40-. *Academic Search Premier*. Web. 7 Feb. 2009.

**old version**

Dineen, Shauna. "The Make-up Labyrinth." *E Magazine* Nov. 2005: 40-. *Academic Search Premier*. Lane Community College Lib., Eugene, OR. 7 Feb. 2007. <<http://web.ebscohost.com/ehost/>>.

**D. Scholarly journal article from a library database:**

**new version**

Vassy, Zoltan. "A Study of Telepathy by Classical Conditioning." *Journal of Parapsychology* 68.2 (2004): 323-50. *Academic Search Premier*. Web. 14 Feb. 2009.

**old version**

Vassy, Zoltan. "A Study of Telepathy by Classical Conditioning." *Journal of Parapsychology* 68.2 (2004): 323-50. *Academic Search Premier*. Lane Community College Lib., Eugene, OR. 14 Feb. 2007. <<http://web.ebscohost.com/ehost/>>.

**E. Scholarly journal article from an online journal:**

**new version**

Abbott, Stacey. "A Little Less Ritual and a Little More Fun: The Modern Vampire in *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*." *Slayage* 3 (Jun. 2001): n. pag. Web.

**old version**

Abbott, Stacey. "A Little Less Ritual and a Little More Fun: The Modern Vampire in *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*." *Slayage* 3 (Jun. 2001). <<http://slayageonline.com>>

**F. Newspaper article from a library database:**

**new version**

Russo, Edward. "City Council Sets Public Hearing on Gas Tax." *The Register-Guard* 23 Jan. 2007: E1. *Proquest*. Web. 8 Feb. 2009.

**old version**

Russo, Edward. "City Council Sets Public Hearing on Gas Tax." *The Register-Guard* 23 Jan. 2007: E1. *Proquest*. Lane Community College Lib., Eugene, OR. 8 Feb. 2007. <<http://0-iw.newsbank.com.library.lanec.edu/iw-search/>>.

**G. Newspaper article from a website:**

**new version**

Lewin, Tamar. "Oregon's Gay Workers Given Benefits for Domestic Partners." *New York Times*. New York Times, 10 Dec. 1998. Web. 24 Feb. 2009.

**old version**

Lewin, Tamar. "Oregon's Gay Workers Given Benefits for Domestic Partners." *New York Times Online* 10 Dec. 1998. 24 Feb. 2002. <<http://www.nytimes.com>>.

**H. Websites:**

**new version**

Futcher, David. "Name That Flag!" *David Futcher's Home Page*. 1998. Web. 23 Oct. 2009.

**old version**

Futcher, David. "Name That Flag!" *David Futcher's Home Page*. 1998. 23 Oct. 2002. <<http://www.aone.com/~dave8/nameflag.html>>

