

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>>

