WCCC’s MLA 8 Citation Guide

This is an abbreviated style guide, based on the most frequently used types of research source material. A more detailed explanation of source documentation can be found in the MLA Handbook, available on Reserve at the circulation desk in the library.

Remember:

- The Works Cited list must be on a separate page from the text of your paper (use page break in Word).
- Alphabetize all types of sources in one list by the author’s last name or first word of the citation (other than the, a, or an).
- Double space the Works Cited page and use a hanging indent for all entries
- Include the URL for digital sources, but do not include the http:// part of the URL and remove the hyperlink.
- For in-text citations, if an author is not given use the first item that is listed on your Works Cited entry (e.g. book title, article title, web page title).
- For in-text citations, place the parenthetical citation at the end of the sentence(s) where the source is used. Place the sentence’s end punctuation after the final parenthesis.
- When citing digital sources, you must include the date you accessed the source in the form of “Accessed day month year” at the end of the citation on the Works Cited page.
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CENGAGE TEXTBOOKS

There will be times, especially in discussion boards, when you will need to cite your Cengage textbooks. These are citations for digital version of the Cengage textbooks.

Your citation will be different depending on how you are accessing the textbook.

- If you are viewing the textbook on your computer, you will want to use the citations under Computer Based Access.

- However, if you are using your phone or tablet to access your textbook, then you will want to use the citations under

- If you are using the print version of the Cengage textbooks, you will cite them as you do a Book.

**NOTE:** If the page number is not available, you should include either the chapter number or the section number.

**COMPUTER BASED ACCESS**

Cengage Textbook with One Author

**Works Cited List Format**


**In-Text Citation Format**

(Author’s Last Name p. #)

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

(Spielvogel ch. 1)
Cengage Textbook with Two Authors

**Works Cited List Format**

Last name of first author, First name of first author, and first and last name of second author. *Title of Book.*

Edition (if any), Publisher, Date. *Platform,* URL. Accessed Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

(First Author’s Last name and Second Author’s Last Name p. #)

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

(Kenney and Cohen ch. 5)

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Cengage Textbook with Three or More Authors

**Works Cited List Format**

Last name of first author, First name of first author, et al. *Title of Book.* Edition (if any), Publisher, Date.

*Platform,* URL. Accessed Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

(Last Name of First Author et al. p. #)

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

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Cengage Anthology or Edited Textbook

**Works Cited List Format**

Last name, First name, editor. *Title of Book*. Edition (if any), Publisher, Date. *Platform*, URL. Accessed Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

(Editor’s or Editors’ Last Name(s) p. #)

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

(Trimmer ch. 3)

**NOTE:** Sometimes the edition may include a qualifier, such as shorter edition or portable edition. When citing an anthology itself, you should include the qualifier before the edition number. For example: Portable 9th ed.

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Cengage Work within an Anthology or Edited Textbook

**Works Cited List Format**

Last name of author, First name of author. “Title of the Part of the Book Being Cited.” *Title of Anthology.*

Edited by First and Last Names, edition (if any), Publisher, Date, Chapter. *Platform*, URL. Accessed Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

(Author’s Last Name pg #)

**Works Cited List Example**

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**In-Text Citation Example**

(Angelou ch. 1)

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**Cengage Two or More Works from the Same Anthology Textbook**

When citing more than one selection from the same anthology, a) cite the anthology in full and b) cite, or cross-reference, the individual sections you are using. Use the citation format for the Anthology or Edited Book, above, as well as the following citation format for the individual sections that you are referencing.

**Works Cited List Format**

Last name of author, First name of author. “Title of the Part of the Book Being Cited.” Last name of editor(s), Chapter. *Platform,* URL. Accessed Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

(Author’s Last Name p #)

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

(Sedaris ch. 1)
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Cengage Textbook with One Author

Works Cited List Format

Last name of author, First name of author. Title of Book. Edition (if any), Publisher, Date. Platform. Accessed Date.

In-Text Citation Format

(Author’s Last Name p. #)

Works Cited List Example


In-Text Citation Example

(Spielvogel ch. 1)

Cengage Textbook with Two Authors

Works Cited List Format

Last name of first author, First name of first author, and first and last name of second author. Title of Book. Edition (if any), Publisher, Date. Platform. Accessed Date.

In-Text Citation Format

(First Author’s Last name and Second Author’s Last Name p. #)

Works Cited List Example


In-Text Citation Example

(Kenney and Cohen ch. 5)
Cengage Textbook with Three or More Authors

Works Cited List Format

Last name of first author, First name of first author, et al. *Title of Book*. Edition (if any), Publisher, Date.

*Platform*. Accessed Date.

In-Text Citation Format

(Last Name of First Author et al. p. #)

Works Cited List Example


In-Text Citation Example

(Montoya et al. ch. 3)

Cengage Anthology or Edited Textbook

Works Cited List Format

Last name, First name, editor. *Title of Book*. Edition (if any), Publisher, Date. *Platform*. Accessed Date.

In-Text Citation Format

(Editor’s or Editors’ Last Name(s) p. #)

Works Cited List Example


In-Text Citation Example

(Trimmer ch. 3)

NOTE: Sometimes the edition may include a qualifier, such as *shorter edition* or *portable edition*. When citing an anthology itself, you should include the qualifier before the edition number. For example:

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Cengage Work within an Anthology or Edited Textbook

**Works Cited List Format**

Last name of author, First name of author. “Title of the Part of the Book Being Cited.” *Title of Anthology.*

Edited by First and Last Names, edition (if any), Publisher, Date, Chapter. *Platform.* Accessed Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

(Author’s Last Name p. #)

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

(Angelou ch. 1)

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**In-Text Citation Format**

(Author’s Last Name p. #)

**Works Cited List Example**


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In-Text Citation Example

(Sedaris ch. 1)
BOOKS

Book with One Author

**Works Cited List Format**

Last name of author, First name of author. *Title of Book*. Edition (if any), Publisher, Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

(Author’s Last Name p. #)

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

(Spielvogel 23)

Book with Two Authors

**Works Cited List Format**

Last name of first author, First name of first author, and First and Last name of second author. *Title of Book*. Edition (if any), Publisher, Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

(First Author’s Last Name and Second Author’s Last Name p. #)

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

(Kennedy and Cohen 59)

Book with Three or More Authors

**Works Cited List Format**

Last Updated December 8, 2020
Last name of first author, First name of first author, et al. Title of Book. Edition (if any), Publisher, Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**
(First Author’s Last Name et al. p. #)

**Works Cited List Example**

**In-Text Citation Example**
(Montoya et al. 59)

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**Anthology or Edited Book**

**Works Cited List Format**
Last name, First name, editor. Title of Book. Edition (if any), Publisher, Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**
(Editor’s or Editors’ Last Name(s)* p. #)

**Works Cited List Example**

**In-Text Citation Example**
(Kirszner and Mandell 851).

*When you have more than three editors, you cite as you would a book with more than three authors--First author’s information followed by et al. in both the Works Cited and the in-text citation.

**Sometimes the edition may include a qualifier, such as shorter edition or portable edition. When citing an anthology itself, you should include the qualifier before the edition number. For example: Portable 9th ed.
Work in an Anthology or Edited Book

Works Cited List Format
Last name of author, First name of author. “Title of the Part of the Book Being Cited.” Title of Anthology.

Edited by First and Last Names, edition (if any), Publisher, Date, Page(s).

In-Text Citation Format

(Author’s Last Name p. #)

Works Cited List Example

In-Text Citation Example

(Gilman 441)

Two or More Selections from the Same Anthology or Edited Book

When citing more than one selection from the same anthology, a) cite the anthology in full and b) cite, or cross-reference, the individual sections you are using. Use the citation format for the Anthology or Edited Book, above, as well as the following citation format for the individual sections you are referencing.

Works Cited List Format
Last name of author, First name of author. “Title of the Part of the Book Being Cited.” Last name of editor(s), Page number(s) of work being cited.

In-Text Citation Format

(Author’s Last Name p. #)

Works Cited List Example

In-Text Citation Example

(Boyle 429)
Book with a Corporate Author

**NOTE**: Omit any initial article in front of the corporate author’s name, e.g. A, An, or The.

**Works Cited List Format**

Name of corporate author. *Title of Book*. Publisher, Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

(Name of corporate author p. #)

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

(National Research Council 54)

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**E-Book**

**Works Cited List Format**

Last name of author, First name of author. *Title of Book*. Edition (if any), e-book, Publisher, Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

(Author’s Last Name p. # *(if available)*)

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

(Peters ch.3)
JOURNAL AND NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

These citations are not for articles you get from the WCCC databases. These are for journal articles you may get from other online sources.

Please see the section on Databases for the correct citation to use for journal articles from the databases.

Journal Article (Print)

Works Cited List Format

Last name of author, First name of author. “Title of Article.” Title of Magazine, Date, Page(s).

In-Text Citation Format

(Author’s Last Name p. #)

Works Cited List Example


In-Text Citation Example

(Sullivan 6)

Journal Article (Online)

Works Cited List Format

Last name of author, First name of author. “Title of the Article.” Name of Journal, Volume number, Issue number, Date, Pages (if any), URL. Accessed Date.

In-Text Citation Format

(Author’s Last Name p. # (if available))

Works Cited List Example


**In-Text Citation Example**

(Volken)

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**Newspaper Article (Print)**

**Works Cited List Format**

Last name of author, First name of author. “Title of Article.” *Title of Newspaper*, Date, Page(s).

**In-Text Citation Format**

(Author’s Last Name p. #)

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

(Wilford C1)

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**Newspaper Article (Online)**

**Works Cited List Format**

Last name of author, First name of author. “Title of Article.” *Title of Newspaper*, Date, Page(s), URL. Accessed Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

(Author’s Last Name p.# *(if available)* )

**Works Cited List Example**


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In-Text Citation Example

(Szalai)
WCCC ONLINE DATABASES

When using the online databases, use the Permalink URL.

Journal Article with One Author

Works Cited List Format

Last name of author, First name of author. “Title of Article.” Title of Journal, Volume number, Issue number, Date, Page(s). Name of Database, DOI or URL. Accessed Date.

In-Text Citation Format

(Author’s Last Name p. # (if available))

Works Cited List Example


In-Text Citation Format

(Olson 220)

Journal Article with Two Authors

Works Cited List Format

Last name of first author, First name of second author, and First name, middle initial, last name of the second author. “Title of Article.” Title of Journal, Volume number, Issue number, Date, Page(s). Name of Database, DOI or URL. Accessed Date.

In-Text Citation Format

(First Author’s Last Name and Second Author’s Last name p. #)

Works Cited List Example

Whipple, Thomas W., and Mary K. McManamon. “Implications of Using Male and Female Voices in


**In-Text Citation Example**

(Whipple and McManamon 87)

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**Journal Article with Three or More Authors**

**Works Cited List Format**

Last name of first author, First name of second author, et al. “Title of Article.” *Title of Journal*, Volume number, Issue number, Date, Page(s). *Name of Database*, DOI or URL. Accessed Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

(Last name of first author et al. p. #)

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

(Millea et al. 310)

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**Previously Published Scholarly Articles (Bloom’s Literature, Master Plots, Literary Reference Center)**

The MLA citations given in Bloom’s Literature, Master Plots, and Literary Reference Center are not always correct. Please make sure to check those citations against the citation below, which is the correct way to cite these articles.

**Works Cited List Format**

Last name of author, First name of author. “Title of Article.” *Title of Original Publication*, edited by First Name
Last Name (if any), Volume number of original publication (if available), Publisher, Date, pages (if available). Name of Database, URL. Accessed Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

(Author’s Last Name p. # (if available))

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

(Sova)
ONLINE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS

Works Cited List Format
Name of the government, Name of the agency issuing the publication. *Title of the Document.* Publisher, date of publication, URL. Accessed date.

In-Text Citation Format
(Name of the government Name of Agency p. # (if available))

Works Cited List Example

In-Text Citation Format
(United States Environmental Protection Agency 12)
WEBSITES

It is a good idea to keep in mind the difference between a website and a web page. A website is the entire hosting site and a web page is a single area of the site. For example, when looking at the American Psychological Association website (apa.org), you might find a web page on the site for bipolar disorder.

Website with an Author’s/Contributor’s Name

**Works Cited List Format**

Last Name, First Name, role. *Title of the Site*. Publisher, Date, URL. Accessed Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

(Author’s Last Name)

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

(Zalta)

Website with No Author’s/Contributor’s Name

**Works Cited List Format**

*Title of the Site*. Publisher, Date, URL. Accessed Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

*(Title of the Site)*

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

*(BigCharts)*
Web Page

**Works Cited List Format**

Author’s Last Name, First Name (if any). “Title of Page.” *Title of Site*, Publisher, Date, URL. Accessed Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

(Author’s Last Name)

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

(Hamington)
AUDIO, VISUAL, AND OTHER SOURCES

Art – From a Book

Works Cited List Format

Artist’s Last Name, First Name. Title of Artwork. Year created. Title of Book, by First and Last Name(s) of Author(s), Publisher, Date, Page.

In-Text Citation Format

(Artist’s Last Name Page Number)

Works Cited List Example


In-Text Citation Example

(Van Gogh 508)

Art – From a Web Page

Works Cited List Format

Artist’s Last Name, First Name. Title of Artwork. Year created. Name of Site, URL. Accessed Date.

In-Text Citation Format

(Artist’s Last Name)

Works Cited List Example


In-Text Citation Example

(Warhol)

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Picture/Photo Online – General

NOTE: If you use images from Google images, you need to visit the original site where the picture and cite that page, not Google.

Works Cited List Format
Artist’s Last Name, First Name (if any). “Title of the Picture.” Title of the Site, Date, URL. Accessed Date.

In-Text Citation Format
(Author’s Last Name or “Title of the Picture”)

Works Cited List Example

In-Text Citation Example
(Funelf)

Motion Picture -- DVD

Works Cited List Format
Title of the Film. Role by First and Last Names, Production Studio, Date.

In-Text Citation Format
(Title of the Film)

Works Cited List Example

In-Text Citation Example
(A Clockwork Orange)
Motion Picture -- Streaming

**Works Cited List Format**

*Title of the Film.* Role by First and Last Names, Production Studio, Date. *Streaming Service*, URL. Accessed Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

*(Title of the Film)*

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

*(West of Memphis)*

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**Video -- Online (YouTube, etc.)**

**Works Cited List Format**

Author’s Last Name, First Name (if any). “*Title of Video.*” *Name of Host Site*, uploaded by Uploader (if different from the author), Date, URL. Accessed Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

*(Author’s Last Name or “Title of Video”)*

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

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Podcast

**Works Cited List Format**

Last Name, First Name, role. “Title of the Episode.” *Title of Program*, season, episode, Sponsor, Date, URL.

Accessed Date.

**In-Text Citation Format**

(Last Name)

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

(Koenig)

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**An Interview You Conducted**

**Works Cited List Format**

Subject’s Last Name, First Name. Personal interview. Day Month Year.

**In-Text Citation Format**

(Subject’s Last Name)

**Works Cited List Example**


**In-Text Citation Example**

(Levenhagen)

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Lecture Notes, PowerPoints, or Handouts from Class

**Works Cited List Format**

Presenter’s Last Name, First Name. “Title or Subject of Lecture/Item.” Course Title, Date, College Name, Location. Format (Lecture, Speech, Handout, PowerPoint, etc.).

**In-Text Citation Format**

(Presenter’s Last Name)

**Works Cited List Example #1**


**In-Text Citation Example #1**

(Ward)

**Works Cited Entry Example #2**


**In-Text Citation Example #2**

(Bradford)