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Article in a Reference Work (encyclopedia or dictionary): If the author of each entry is given, give the author’s name—do not list editors or publishing information.


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Doyle, Phil, and Carolina Cruz-Neira. “Virtual Reality and Visualization in Education.” Syllabus May 1999: 18+. (Note: when several non-sequential pages are listed, put the first page and a +.)


Letter to the editor—add the label Letter after the author’s name (do not underline or put in quotes).


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Author’s last name, First Name. “Article Title.” Original Publication Date of original Publication: Pages. Title of CD-ROM. Publication medium (CD-ROM). Producer of CD-ROM. Electronic publication date.


CD-ROM Database with no print version:


Perseus 2.0: Interactive Sources and Studies on Ancient Greece. CD-ROM. 4 discs. New Haven: Yale UP, 1996. (Note: With multi-disc Publications, either give the total number of discs or the specific one used)
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Online Periodical Works:

Author’s last name, First name (If given). “Article Title.” Original Publication Date of original publication: Total number or range of pages, if given. For a work from a subscription service, give the name of the service(underlined)—and, if a library is subscriber, give the name of the service and the name of the library. Date of Access <Electronic address (URL)>.

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ProQuest http://proquest.umi.com/
(Excellent source for news articles)

SIRS Knowledge Source http://sks.sirs.com

EBSCO http://web12.epnet.com/
(This is an umbrella database with over 30 separate databases inside. Identify the specific database as well: e.g.: Masterfile Premier, EBSCOhost.)

CQResearcher http://library2.cqpress.com/
(This is a good source to find a topic; also, each article has a bibliography of other books and periodicals you may wish to research.)

LexisNexis http://web.lexis-nexis.com/

JSTOR http://www.jstor.org/jstor/

(Keep in mind, however, that for all other internet sources, you must include the complete URL.)


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An Editorial in an Electronic Source


<http://csmonitor.com/todays_paper/graphicaltoday/edit/edit.1.html>. (Note: Break a URL after a /)

A Letter to the Editor


<http://www.nytimes.com/yr/mo/day/letters/1festi.html>.

Online Books

Author’s Last name, First name (if given). If there is only an editor, compiler, or translator is identified, cite that person’s name, followed by the appropriate abbreviation (ed., comp., trans.) Title of the Work (underlined). Publication information. Date accessed Electronic address (URL) in angle brackets.


Online Database with no Print versions, e.g., Electronic Journals, Electronic Newsletters, Electronic Conferences, etc.


Landsburg, Steven E. “Who Shall Inherit the Earth?” Slate 1 May 1997. 2 July 1997


Lancashire, Ian. Home page. 1 May 1997


Miscellaneous Print and Media Sources

Work in an anthology (a work in which there are several authors)


Note: If you cite two or more works from the same anthology, you may cite the entire anthology and then create cross references to it that include the author, title of the work, the last name of the editor(s) of the anthology, and the inclusive page numbers, as shown below:


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An E-mail Communication

Horner, James L. E-mail to the author. 12 Nov. 2002.
Personal Interview

Film or Video Recording
Like Water for Chocolate [Como agua para chocolate]. Screenplay by Laura Esquivel.
   Dir. Alfonso Arau. Perf. Lumi Cavazos, Marco Lombardi, and Regina Torne,
   Miramax, 1993.

Radio or TV Program
   Special. KNBC, Los Angeles. 21 Mar. 1968.

A Performance

A Multi-volume Work
   Dodd, 1956-58.
   Note: If you are using only one volume of a multi-volume work and the volume as an individual title,
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