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Works Cited

Examples: Books

Ehrenreich, Barbara. *Nickel and Dimed: On Not Getting By in America*. Henry Holt and Company, 2001, New York.

Gladwell, Malcolm. *Outliers: The Story of Success*. Little, Brown and Company, 2008, New York.

Steinbeck, John. *Of Mice and Men*. Penguin, 1946, New York.

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Examples: Articles

Gladwell, Malcolm. "Offensive Play." *The New Yorker*, Condé Nast, 19 October 2009,

www.newyorker.com/magazine/2009/10/19/offensive-play. Accessed 21 August 2016.

Pinsker, Joe. "Teenagers Are Losing Confidence in the American Dream." *The Atlantic*,

Atlantic Media Company, 15 July 2015, www.theatlantic.com/business/archive/2015/06/teenagers-are-losing-confidence-in-the-american-dream/395780/. Accessed 21 August 2016.

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Examples: Videos, TV Shows, & Movies

Food Inc. Directed by Robert Kenner. *Netflix*, Magnolia Home Entertainment, California, 2008.

“MLA 8 Demo 2016.” *YouTube*, uploaded by Sharon Down, 10 June 2016, www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wrg_7jEw2sY.

“94 Meetings.” *Parks and Recreation*, created by Greg Daniels and Michael Schur, performance by Amy Poehler, season 2, episode 21, Deedle-Dee Productions and Universal Media Studios, 2010.

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Examples: Pages on a Website

“Heart Disease.” *CDC*, 1 June 2016, www.cdc.gov/heartdisease/.

Accessed 21 August 2016.

“How to Prevent Stress Fractures.” *WebMD*, 2014, www.webmd.com/a-to-z-guides/stress-fractures-prevention.

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Works Cited: Formatting

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- Left align citations
- Alphabetize citations
- Double-space
- First line hanging indent

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In-Text Citations

Examples: Author & page number

According to Naomi Baron, reading is “just half of literacy. The other half is writing” (194). One might even suggest reading is never complete without writing.

OR

Reading is “just half of literacy. The other is writing” (Baron 194). One might even suggest that reading is never complete without writing.

Mention the author in the sentence when introducing a quotation and follow with parentheses and page number.

Include the author and page number in parentheses at the end of the sentence that contains the quotation.

In-Text Citations

Examples: Sources with no author

Reading at Risk: A Survey of Literary Reading in America notes that despite an apparent decline in reading during the same period, “the number of people doing creative writing--on any genre, not exclusively literary works--increased substantially between 1983-2002” (3).

OR

Despite an apparent decline in reading during the same period, “the number of people doing creative writing--on any genre, not exclusively literary works--increased substantially between 1983-2002” (*Reading* 3).

Mention the title of the work in the sentence when introducing a quotation and follow with parentheses and page number.

When a source does not have an author, use the abbreviated source title in your parenthetical citations.