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Book/Source with Two Authors	Authors. <i>Title of Book/Source</i> . Name of Publisher, Publication Date.	Gillespie, Paula, and Neal Lerner. <i>The Allyn and Bacon Guide to Peer Tutoring</i> . Allyn and Bacon, 2000.
Anthology or Collection (e.g. Collection of Essays)	Editors, <i>Title of the Collection</i> , Name of Publisher, Publication Date	Hill, Charles A., and Marguerite Helmers, editors. <i>Defining Visual Rhetorics</i> . Lawrence Erlbaum Associates, 2004.
A work in a Chapter from book, Anthology & Collection	Author(s). “Title of chapter of book.” <i>Title of book or Essay</i> , Edited by, Publisher, Year, Page Range of Entry.	Harris, Muriel. “Talk to Me: Engaging Reluctant Writers.” <i>A Tutor's Guide: Helping Writers One to One</i> , edited by Ben Rafoth, Heinemann, 2000, pp. 24-34.
Article in a Reference Book (Encyclopedia Article Signed)	Author(s). Title of the article <i>Title of Book</i> (Volume, Page numbers). Publication location: Name of Publisher	Epps, Helen H. “Textile.” <i>World Book Encyclopedia</i> , vol. 19, World Book, 2016, pp. 212-20.
An Article in a Scholarly Journal (Print)	Author(s). "Title of Article." <i>Title of Journal</i> , Volume, Issue, Publication Date, Page Numbers.	Tribe, Tania Costa. “Visual Narrative and the Harlem Renaissance.” <i>Word and Image</i> , vol. 23, no. 4, 2007, pp. 391-413.
An Article in a Magazine	Author(s). "Title of Article." <i>Title of Periodical</i> , Day Month Year, pages.	Poniewozik, James. "TV Makes a Too-Close Call." <i>Time</i> , 20 Nov. 2000, pp. 70-71.
An Article in a Newspaper	Author(s). "Title of Article." <i>Title of Newspaper</i> , Day Month Year, pages.	Walker, Rob. “Résumé That Grabs Digital Eyes.” <i>New York Times</i> , late ed., 8 Jul. 2016, pp. BU7.

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An eBook in a Database	Author. <i>Title of Source/E-book</i> . Publisher and Publication Date, <i>Title of Container/Collection</i> , Location (URL) Note: Do not include http:// or https:// for URLs (Permalink URL).	Powell, James L. <i>Four Revolutions in the Earth Sciences: From Heresy to Truth</i> . Columbia UP, 2014, <i>EBSCO eBook Collection</i> , search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=e000xna&AN=891680&site=ehost-live .
Online magazine article	Author name, Article Name, <i>Title of the Online Magazine</i> , Publisher Name, Publication Date, URL, and the Date of Access. Note: Access Date is Optional	Rubin, Shira. "The Race to Study a Dying Sign Language Before It Disappears." <i>New York Magazine</i> , New York Media, 30 Aug. 2016, nymag.com/scienceofus/2016/08/linguists-are-racing-to-study-a-dying-sign-language.html , Accessed 30 Aug. 2016.
Journal article from a Subscription Database	Author(s). "Article Title." <i>Journal Title</i> , Volume and/or Issue number, Publication date, Pages. <i>Database</i> , doi. Note: If doi not available, use the URL	Robinson, John A. "Personal Narratives Reconsidered." <i>The Journal of American Folklore</i> , vol. 94, no. 371, 1981, pp. 58-85. <i>JSTOR</i> , doi: 10.2307/540776.
Online Government Document	Title of source. <i>Title of Container 1</i> , Version (edition), Publisher (government, agency, etc.), Publication Date, Location (URL)	"Petroleum Engineers." <i>Occupational Outlook Handbook</i> , 2016-17 ed., United States, Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, 17 Dec, 2015, www.bls.gov/ooh/architecture-and-engineering/mobile/petroleum-engineers.htm .
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