

Basic Reference Citations in the MLA Handbook

Books

The basic form for a book citation is:

Author's Last name, First name. *Title of Book*. Place of Publication: Publisher, Year of Publication.

Actual example:

Gleick, James. *Chaos: Making a New Science*. New York: Penguin Books, 1987.

An Article in a Scholarly Journal

Author(s). "Title of Article." *Title of Journal* Volume. Issue (Year): pages.

Actual example:

Heilbron, Johan. "Translation as a Cultural World System." *Perspectives* 8.1 (2000): 9-26.

An Article in a Magazine

Basic format:

Author(s). "Title of Article." *Title of Periodical* Day Month Year: pages.

Actual example:

Poniewozik, James. "TV Makes a Too-Close Call." *Time* 20 Nov. 2000: 70-71.

Books in Japanese

All information should be written in roma-ji if your paper is in English.

Author's Last name, First name (Year of Publication) 『Title of Book』 Publisher Name.

An Article in a Scholarly Journal or Magazine in Japanese

Author's Last name, First name (Year of Publication) 「Title of Paper」. 『Journal Title』. Volume Number. pp. x-y.

Information from a Web publication

Author's Last name, First name. "Article Title" or *Book Title*. Publication information for any printed version. *Title of overall web site*. Version or edition used. Publisher or sponsor of site; if not available, use N.p. Date of publication; if nothing is available, use. n.d. Medium of publication (Web). Date of access.

Actual examples: *Introduction to Programs in English*. The University of Tokyo. Web. 25 Apr. 2012
Orwell, George. "Politics and the English Language". First published: London: *Horizon*. 1946.
George Orwell. N.p. N.d. Web. 25 Apr 2012

A translation

Author's Last name, First name. *Book title*. Trans. Translators' First name Last name. Place of Publication: Publisher, Year of Publication.

Actual example:

Lewis, C.S. *Saigo no Tatakai*. Trans. Koji Seta. Tokyo: Iwanami Shoten, 2000.

