MLA Citation Guide - Electronic Materials
(Template with Examples)

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From a database -- original source is a book/reference work
Information Needed:
Last name of author of article, First and middle names of author of article. "Title of article."
Original source of article. Sponsor or Publisher of Site. Date of last Publication or Revision. Medium of Publication. Access Date.

Example:

Citation in Paper and on Note Cards:
(Carson-DeWitt)

Special Notes:
*Be sure you know who the actual publisher is of the service.
*The dates are in day, month, year order with appropriate abbreviations.
*Also, since you are tracing the article back to the database, you will not have page numbers in your parenthetical citations.

From a database -- original source is a periodical (newspaper, magazine, or journal)

Information Needed:
Last name of author of article, First and middle names of author of article. "Title of article."
Name of Periodical Volume and Issue Number Date original article was published: Page numbers on which original article was published. Name of database. Medium of Database. Date of Access.

Examples: (the first one is a newspaper, the second one is a magazine/journal)

Citation in Paper and on Note Cards:
(Pegoraro)
(Stix)

Special Notes:
* The dates are in day, month, and year order. Also, no page numbers are in the parenthetical citation.
Article in an online encyclopedia

Information Needed:
Last name of the author of the article, First and middle names of author of the article. "Title of the article." Title of the online encyclopedia. Sponsor or Publisher of Site. Date of Publication or latest revision. Medium of publication. Access Date.

Example:

Citation in Text and on Note Cards:
(Beminghausen)

Special Notes:
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Article from a news network

Information Needed:
Last name of the author of the article, First name of the author of the article. "Title of the article." Title of the newswire. Name of newswire publisher, Publication Date. Medium of Publication. Access Date.

Example:

Citation in Text and on Note Cards:
(Mohsin)

Special Notes:
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Article from a newspaper or on a newswire

Information Needed:
Last name of the author of the article, First name of the author of the article. "Title of the article." Title of the newspaper. Publisher of the newspaper or website, Publication Date. Medium of Publication. Access Date.

Example:

Citation in Text and on Note Cards:
(VandeHei)

Special Notes:
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Article from the World Wide Web (Internet)

Information Needed:
Last name of author of article, First name of author of article. "Title of article."
Title of website. Publisher or Sponsor of Site. Publication Date. Medium of Publication. Access Date.

Example:

Citation in Text and on Note Cards:
(Rockmore)

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Interview on Television

Information Needed:
Last name of person interviewed, First Name of person interviewed. Interview by Name of interviewer. Title of show on which interview appeared. Network on which show was viewed. Station call letters on which show was viewed. Date of broadcast. Medium of Publication.

Example:

Citation in Text and on Note Cards:
(Torry)

Film/ Movie

Information Needed:

Example:

Citation in Text and on Note Cards:
(Lord)

Special Notes:
*Dir. is an abbreviation for Director. Perf. is an abbreviation for Performers.