

MLA In-Text Citations (9th ed.)

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- Should directly correlate with an entry on the Works Cited page

One Author

Signal Phrase	McCollough described John Adams's hands as those of a laborer (18).
No Signal Phrase	John Adams had "the hands of a man accustomed to pruning his own trees" (McCollough 18).

Two Authors

Signal Phrase	Carlson and Ventura wanted to introduce Latin American writers to an audience of English-speaking adolescents (v).
No Signal Phrase	The authors wanted to introduce Latin American writers to an audience of English-speaking adolescents (Carlson and Ventura v).

Three or More Authors

Signal Phrase	Peilen et al. supported their claims about corporate corruption with startling anecdotal evidence (75).
No Signal Phrase	Anecdotal evidence supports these claims about corporate corruption (Peilen et al. 75).

Organization as Author

Signal Phrase	First Citation: The American Psychological Association (APA) recommends five stress management tools to cope with the pandemic. Subsequent Citations: APA provides tips to help people calm, focus, relax, ground, and celebrate themselves.
No Signal Phrase	First Citation: Professionals recommend five stress management tools to cope with the pandemic (American Psychological Association). Subsequent Citations: There are tips to help people calm, focus, relax, ground, and celebrate themselves (American Psychological Association).

Indirect Source

Signal Phrase	According to Choueri, Modern Standard Arabic was expected to serve as the "moral glue" holding the Arab world together (qtd. in Walters 475).
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Include a list of works cited at the end of your essay so readers know where you located each source. There is a sample Works Cited page below with important formatting notes.

Remember that different types of sources (academic journal articles, books, news articles, websites, YouTube videos, etc.) are formatted differently on a Works Cited page. Use available resources to make sure each source is documented accurately in MLA style.

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With 3+ authors, list first author followed by et al. (Latin for "and others") in place of additional authors.	→ Ferrell, Robert H. <i>Harry S. Truman: A Life</i> . U of Missouri P, 1994.	DOI is included when available. Add a period after a DOI or a URL.
	→ Holbrook, Thomas M. "Did the Whistle-Stop Campaign Matter?" <i>PS: Political Science and Politics</i> , vol. 35, no. 1, March 2002, pp. 59-66, doi: 10.1017/S104909650200015X.	
	→ McDonald, Daniel G., et al. "The Spiral of Silence in the 1948 Presidential Election." <i>Communication Research</i> , vol. 28, no. 2, Apr. 2001, pp. 139-55.	
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	→ Roper, Elmo. "Roper Eats Crow; Seeks Reason for Vote Upset." <i>Evening Independent</i> , 6 Nov. 1948, p. 10. Google News, news.google.com/newspapers?nid=PZE8UkGerEcC&dat=19481106&printsec=frontpage&hl=en . Accessed 13 Apr. 2012.	
	→ Smith, Richard Norton. <i>Thomas E. Dewey and His Times</i> . Simon and Schuster, 1982.	
	→ Truman Library Institute. "TRU History." <i>Truman Library Institute</i> , https://www.trumanlibraryinstitute.org/dewey-defeats-truman/ . Accessed 16 Nov. 2015.	

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