



MLA Guidelines for Citing Sources in the Text

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• List the author in the paraphrased or quoted material followed by the page number or time if provided. • Sentence punctuation follows the parenthetical citation. (Green 189)!	• Sources with no author & no page # ("1-2 wds"). ("Oil prices"). or ("Oil"). • Two authors - (Last name and Last name location). (O'Hare and Hun 312). • Three authors - (Last name et al. pg#). (Dobbs et al. 57). • Short story in Anthology - use the author of the story not the editor (Poe 159).	• Two articles - no author, same title: use the title, followed by the 1st word of publication ("Babe Ruth" <i>World</i>). • Play with numbered lines - include act, scene and line numbers, separated by periods, instead a page number (<i>King Lear</i> 1.1.199-200).

Pro Tip: Ask Mrs. J or consult NoodleTools when confused with MLA's in-text guidelines

Work cited

Gifford, Aaron. "Generative AI Hits Education, Ushering in a Sea Change for Schools." *Government Technology*, 2 Oct. 2023. *EBSCOhost*, search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=pwh&AN=2W62600568587&site=src_ic-live.

Citation in prose (writing)

Gifford reports the College Board that administers high school AP courses and the digital SAT prohibits the use of ChatGPT under any circumstances yet the International Baccalaureate program welcomes the use of Artificial Intelligence.

Parenthetical citation

Former teacher now AI curriculum writer, Betia Bentley asserts "AI is in our life not by choice, so it should not be a choice to learn about it, just like English, math and computer science" (Gifford).

Work cited

Brennan, Carol. "Grandin, Temple." *Newsmakers 2006 Cumulation*, Gale, 2007, pp. 127-30. *Gale eBooks*, link.gale.com/apps/doc/CX3525800049/GVRL?u=lom_1241&sid=bookmark-GVRL&xid=63cb61c2. Accessed 16 Apr. 2024.

Citation in prose (writing)

Brennan details Grandin's circular chute and her thought process of leading the cattle into the slaughterhouse to avoid delays and hesitations.

Parenthetical citation

Realizing she had poor interpersonal skills with her blunt communication style, Temple founded her own company, Grandin Livestock Handling Systems so she could work independently (Brennan).