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**MLA Style 9th Edition - Citing Books**

**Book by One Author**

**In-text Citation Format**

(Author Last Name page number).

**Examples**

(Kirsh).

(Smith 45).

**Works Cited Format**

Author Last Name, First Name. *Title of Book*. Publisher, Publication Date.

**Examples**

Mantel, Hilary. *Wolf Hall*. Picador, 2010.

Smith, John. *The Power of Habit*. Random House, 2012.

**Book by Two Authors**

**In-text Citation Format**

Author 1's Last Name and Author 2's Last Name Page Number)

**Examples**

(Garcia and Patel 72).

(Smith and Johnson 25).

**Works Cited Format**

Last Name, First Name of First Author, and First Name Last Name of Second Author. *Title of Book*.  
Publisher, Publication Year.

**Examples**

Garcia, Maria, and Sanjay Patel. *Economics: Principles and Applications*. McGraw-Hill Education, 2019.

Smith, John, and Emma Johnson. *The Art of Collaboration*. Penguin Books, 2020.

**Book by More than Two Authors**

**In-text Citation Format**

(First Author Last Name, et al. page number).

**Examples**

(Nickel, et al).

(Smith, et al. 45).

**Works Cited Format**

Last Name, First Name of First Author, et al. *Title of Book*. Publisher, Publication Date.

**Examples**

Nickels, William, et al. *Understanding Canadian Business*. McGraw-Hill Ryerson, 2016.

Smith, John, et al. *The Dynamics of Teamwork*. HarperCollins, 2018.

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**Book by an Unknown Author**

**In-text Citation Format**

(Title of Book Page Number).

**Examples**

(Encyclopedia of World History 78).

(The Complete Guide to Gardening 35).

**Works Cited Format**

*Title of Book*. Publisher, Year.

**Examples**

*Encyclopedia of World History*. Oxford University Press, 2017.

*Beowulf*. Translated by Alan Sullivan and Timothy Murphy, edited by Sarah Anderson, Pearson, 2004.

*The Complete Guide to Gardening*. Penguin Books, 2020.

**Book with Editor(s) and No Author**

**In-text Citation Format**

(Editor's Last Name Page Number).

**Examples**

(Matuz 45).

(Sánchez Prado 72).

(Smith 35).

**Works Cited Format**

Last Name of Editor, First Name, editor(s). *Title of Book*. Publisher, Publication Date.

**Examples**

Sánchez Prado, Ignacio M., editor. *Mexican Literature in Theory*. Bloomsbury, 2018.

Smith, John, editor. *The Encyclopedia of Literature*. Penguin Books, 2019.

Matuz, Roger, editor. *Contemporary Canadian Artists*. Gale Canada, 1997.

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**A Work in an Anthology, Reference, or Collection**

**In-text Citation Format**

(Last Name page number).

**Examples**

(Ross 328).

(Smith 40).

**Works Cited Format**

Last Name, First Name. "Title of Essay." *Title of Collection*, edited by Editor's Name(s), Publisher, Year, Page range of entry.

**Examples**

Ross, Colin. "The Story of Grey Owl." *Fiction/Non-Fiction: A Reader and Rhetoric*, edited by Garry Engkent and Lucia Engkent, Thomson Nelson, 2006, pp. 327-333.

Smith, John. "The Art of Painting." *Artistic Masterpieces: A Collection of Essays*, edited by Emily Brown, Penguin Books, 2015, pp. 40-60.

**Book by a Group or Corporate Author**

**In-text Citation Format**

(Group or Corporate Author Page Number).

**Examples**

(American Psychological Association 72).

(Association of American Medical Colleges 55).

**Works Cited Format**

Name of Corporate Author. *Title of Book*. Publisher, Publication Year.

**Examples**

American Psychological Association. *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association*. American Psychological Association, 2020.

Association of American Medical Colleges. *Medical School Admission Requirements: United States and Canada*. Association of American Medical Colleges, 2021.

Calgary Educational Partnership Foundation. *Employability Skills: Creating My Future*, Nelson, 1996.



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**Self-Published Book**

**In-text Citation Format**

(Author Last Name page number).

**Examples**

(Doe 45).

(Hocking 10).

**Works Cited Format**

Last Name, First Name. *Title*. Date.

**Examples**

Doe, John. *The Art of Self-Publishing*. Self-published, 2021.

Hocking, Amanda. *Fate*. 2010.



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