

MLA Referencing

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Author(s) are named in a signal phrase

Samovar and Porter point out that "language involves attaching meaning to world symbols" (188).

Author(s) are named in parentheses

The origin of language is historically considered as symbols (Samovar & Porter 188).

Citations from a secondary source

Samovar and Porter (qtd. Peterson par. 3) discuss that language must be first understood as symbols.

In the **Works Cited** page, at the end of your assignment, you are required to provide the full bibliographic information for each source. **References must be listed in alphabetical order.** Each reference should include four elements:

(1) Author/Editor, (2) Title, (3) Publication Information, and (4) Date

Samovar, L.A., and R.E. Porter. Intercultural communication: A reader. 8th ed. Belmont, Ca: Wadsworth Pub., 1997.

(1) Editors
(2) Title
(3) Publication Information
(4) Date

Examples of references by type

In the Works Cited list	In text citation
1. Advertisement Air New Zealand. Advertisement. <u>Listener</u> Sep. 7 2002: 65.	(Air New Zealand 65)
2. Book - one author Chunn, M. <u>Seven Voices: Tales of Madness and Mirth</u> . Auckland: N.Z.:PEP, 1997.	(Chunn 13)
3. Book - two or more authors Ruhen, O., and M Shadbolt. <u>Isles of the South Pacific</u> . Washington: National Geographic Society, 1971.	(Ruhen and Shadbolt 21)
4. Book - corporate author Waikato Regional Council <u>Clean Water: Waikato River and Lake Taupo</u> . Hamilton, N.Z.: Waikato Regional Council, 1993.	(Waikato Regional Council 195)
5. Book - edited Samovar, L.A., and Porter R.E., eds. <u>Intercultural Communication: A Reader</u> . 8th ed. Belmont, Ca: Wadsworth Publishing Company, 1997.	(Samovar and Porter 62)
6. Book - chapter or article or work in edited book or anthology Stewart, J.F. "Primitivism in Women in Love." <u>The Critical Response to D.H. Lawrence</u> . Ed. Pilditch J. Westport, Conn: Greenwood Press, 2001.	(Stewart 246)
7. Book - review Fawcett, Peter. "A Life Written in Purple Ink." Rev. of <u>Une vie secreta</u> , by Jean-Paul Goujon. <u>Times Literary Supplement</u> 28 Jan. 2005: 32.	(Fawcett 32)
8. Book - translated Garcia Marquez, Gabriel. <u>Living to Tell the Tale</u> . Trans. Edith Grossman. London: Jonathon Cape, 2003.	(Garcia Marquez 347)
9. CD-Rom Craig, E. ed. <u>Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy</u> . CD-ROM. ed. 1998.	(Craig)
10. Conference paper Field, G. "Rethinking Reference Rethought." <u>Revelling in Reference: Reference and Information Services Section Symposium</u> . Melbourne, Victoria: Australian Library and Information Association, 2001.	(Field 62)

11. Dictionary - definition	
"Noon". The Oxford English Dictionary. 2 nd ed. 1989.	(Noon)
12. Encyclopædia – entry in	
Eui-Gak, H. "North Korea- economic system." <u>Encyclopedia of Modern Asia</u> . Eds. David Levison and Karen Christensen. 6vols. New York: Scribner, 2002.	(Eui-Gak 350–53)
13. Film – cinematograph	
<u>It's a Wonderful Life</u> . Dir. Frank Capra. Perf. James Stewart, Donna Reed, Lionel Barrymore and Thomas Mitchell. RKO, 1946.	(It's a Wonderful Life)
14. Film - DVD	
<u>It's a Wonderful Life</u> . Dir. Frank Capra. Perf. James Stewart, Donna Reed, Lionel Barrymore and Thomas Mitchell. 1946. DVD. Republic, 2001.	(It's a Wonderful Life)
15. Film - Video	
<u>It's a Wonderful Life</u> . Dir. Frank Capra. Perf. James Stewart, Donna Reed, Lionel Barrymore and Thomas Mitchell. 1946. Videocassette. Republic, 2001.	(It's a Wonderful Life)
16. Film – review	
Duncan-Jones, Katherine. "Thou Art Free." Rev. of <u>Iris</u> , dir. Richard Eyre. <u>Times Literary Supplement</u> 25 Jan. 2002: 24.	(Duncan-Jones 24)
17. Journal article - academic/scholarly (print version)	
Wartmann, S. "The Transition from Kindergarten to School for Children with Special Needs." <u>SET: research Information for Teachers</u> 1 (2000): 11-15.	(Wartmann 11)
18. Journal article – academic/scholarly (subscription database – PDF version)	
Cornelio, A. "Promoting information literacy through information architecture." <u>Library Media Connection</u> , 21.6 (2003): 24-26. <u>Academic Search Premier</u> . EBSCO database. University of Waikato Lib. 29 May 2003.	(Cornelio 24)
19. Journal article - academic/scholarly (subscription database – HTML fulltext)	
Cornelio, A. "Promoting information literacy through information architecture." <u>Library Media Connection</u> , 21.6. (2003): par. 8. <u>Academic Search Premier</u> . EBSCO database. University of Waikato Lib. 29 May 2003.	(Cornelio par. 8.) <i>par. = paragraph</i>
20. Journal article (undated World Wide Web version - not from subscription database)	
Luvmour, B. "Being with children during times of crisis." <u>Pathsoflearning</u> .(n.d.) 29 May 2003 < http://www.pathsoflearning.net/library.cfm >	(Luvmour) <i>n.d. = no date</i>
21. Magazine article – popular/trade/general interest	
Pirisi, A. "Jobs, lies and videotape." <u>Psychology Today</u> May/June 2003:12.	(Pirisi 12)
22. Newspaper article – (Print version)	
Cumming, G. "Cough That Shook the World." <u>New Zealand Herald</u> 5 April 2003, sec. B: 4.	(Cumming B4)
23. Newspaper article (Electronic version – subscription database)	
Cumming, G. "Cough that shook the world." <u>New Zealand Herald</u> 5 April 2003. <u>Newztext Plus</u> June 9, 2003.	(Cumming)
24. Newspaper article (World Wide Web)	
Cumming, G. "Cough That Shook the World." <u>New Zealand Herald</u> . 5 Apr. 2003. 14 Jun. <2004 http://www.nzherald.co.nz/index.cfm?ObjectID=3585 >	(Cumming)
25. Newspaper article with no author	
"Drivers reject fuel prices driven by war threat." <u>The Timaru Herald</u> 7 Mar.2003:1.	(Drivers Reject Fuel Prices 1)
26. Report	
Smith, P. (2001). <u>Waikato River Water Quality Monitoring Programme: Data Report</u> . Hamilton, N.Z.: Environment Waikato.	(Smith 34)
27. Thesis	
Begg, M.M. "Daily Farm Work in the Waikato 1946-1996: Fifty Years of Social Change." Unpublished doctoral dissertation. University of Waikato, 2001.	(Begg 209)