

How to Cite Resources (MLA 9th ed.)

For most resources, you will record the following information in this order. (Not all info may be available)

- **Author's** last name, first name. (followed by a period) If there is no author, go to the next item
- The **title of the source** of your research (articles in quotes; books italicized) (followed by a period)
- The title of the "**container**" (website or whatever is "containing" the source) in italics (followed by a comma.)
- **Contributor** – name(s) of anyone else who add to the resource (followed by a comma.)
- **Version** if available. (2nd ed.) (followed by a comma.)
- **Number** (vol. no.) (followed by a comma)
- The **publisher**. Can be omitted if the title and website are the same (followed by a comma)
- **Publication date** (followed by a comma)
- **Location** This depends on your source. Use a URL for a website and page numbers for a periodical (followed by a period).

Multiple Authors

Reverse the order for the first author only. Add the additional author. Use a comma to separate the names. For example: Smith, Fred, and Martha Jones.

Encyclopedia or Dictionary

- Author's last name, first name. (If provided.)
 - Title of the source in quotation marks.
 - Title of the Container in italics – title of the encyclopedia or dictionary,
 - Version. Is this an edition? 4th ed.,
 - The publisher (for online resources this can be omitted if it is the same as the website),
 - Publication date,
 - Location. If accessed online, the URL.
- For example: Smith, Fred. "Warthogs." *Encyclopedia of Animals*. 5th ed. 2016, www.eoaanimals.edu.

A Personal Interview

- Last name, first name. (of the person interviewed.)
- Title of the source: Personal interview.
- Date of the interview. (Day, month, year)

For example:
Jones, Martha. Personal interview. 7
Mar. 2016.

How to Cite Books in Print

- Author's last name, first name.
- Name of the book in italics.
- If there is an editor: edited by
- If this a numbered edition: 3rd ed.
- Publisher, date.

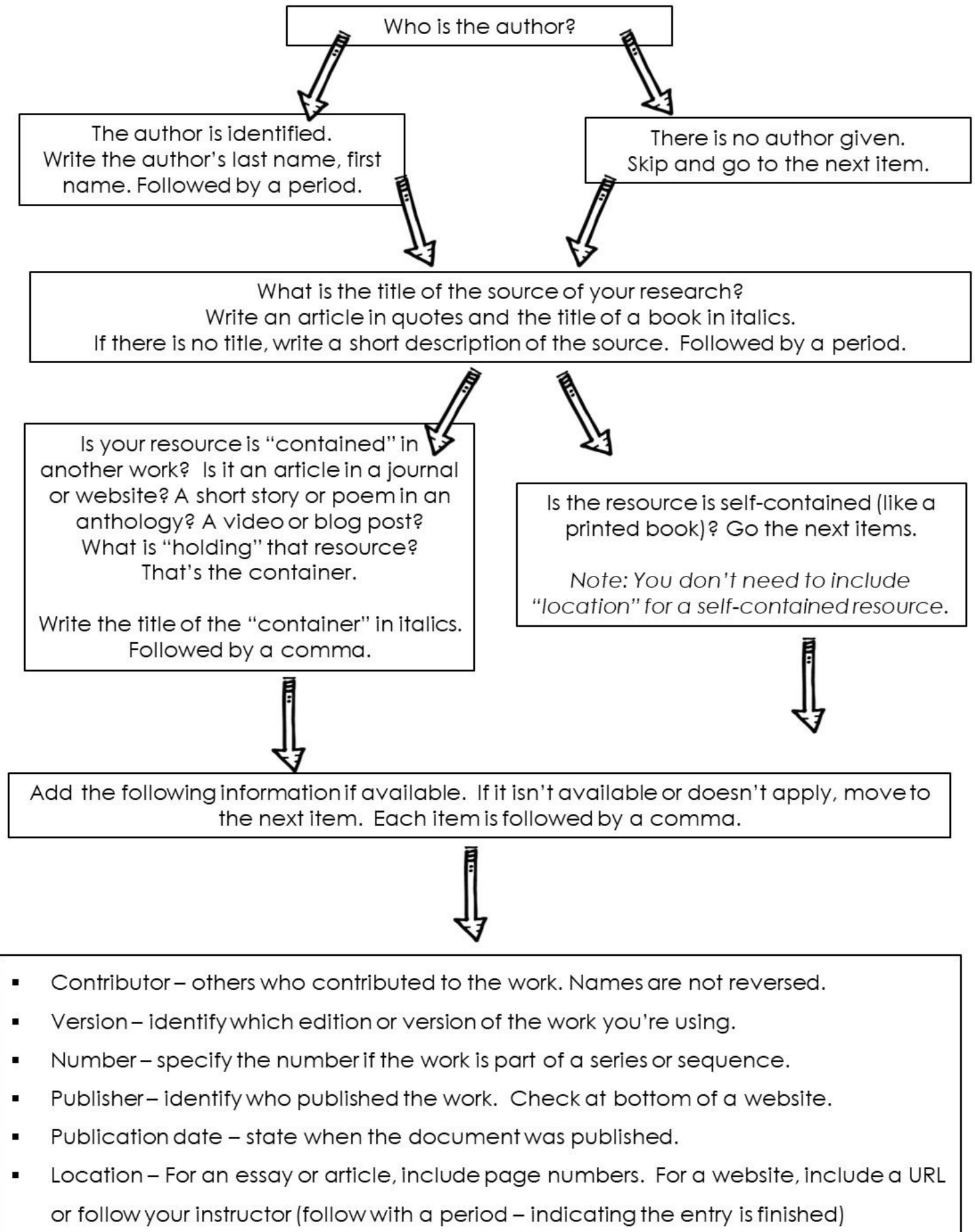
How to Cite an Article in a Periodical

- Author's last name, first name.
- Title of the article in quotation marks.
- Title of the periodical in italics (followed by a comma)
- Number (vol., no. if available – followed by a comma)
- Date of publication. If it's only published once a month, just the month (followed by a comma)
- Location: Page numbers for the article (for example, pp. 14-15.) or URL.

Things to Remember

- The goal of your citation is to help your reader locate the information you used.
- Your teacher may not require you to use URLs. Follow your instructor's guidelines.
- You can omit <http://> or <https://> at the start of a URL.

Create a Works Cited Flowchart



How to Create a Works Cited, A Few Examples

What the entries looks like:



Stu, Dent. "All about Warthogs." *Wide World of Warthogs*, edited by Fred Winters. 2nd. ed., no. 13, Wacky Publisher, 2000, URL.

What the entries include:



- ✓ The author is identified.
- ✓ The title of the article is in quotes.
- ✓ The "container" is identified (*Wide World of Warthogs*)
- ✓ Contributor is identified (Fred Winters)
- ✓ Version (2nd ed.)
- ✓ Number (no. 13)
- ✓ Publisher (Wacky Publisher)
- ✓ Publication date (2000)
- ✓ Location (URL)

"All about Warthogs." *Wide World of Warthogs*, edited by Fred Winters. 2nd. ed., no. 13, Wacky Publisher, 2000, URL.

- ✓ No author is identified.
- ✓ The title of the article is in quotes.
- ✓ The "container" is identified (*Wide World of Warthogs*)
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Ad for Adopting a Warthog. *Wide World of Warthogs*, edited by Fred Winters. 2nd. ed., no. 13, Wacky Publisher, 2000, URL.

- ✓ No title for the resource, so a short description is written.
- ✓ The "container" is identified (*Wide World of Warthogs*)
- ✓ Contributor is identified (Fred Winters)
- ✓ Version (2nd ed.)
- ✓ Number (no. 13)
- ✓ Publisher (Wacky Publisher)
- ✓ Publication date (2000)
- ✓ Location (URL)

Smith, Wanda. *The Wonders of Warthogs*. Wacky Publisher, 2000.

- ✓ This is a self-contained resource.
- ✓ Publisher (Wacky Publisher)
- ✓ Publication date (2000)
- ✓ Location (URL)