

Guide to Citations

For National History Day, you will use **MLA** or **Chicago (Turabian)** style citations for your annotated bibliography. There are many resources available for finding the correct format for each of these styles.

- Details on style types: [MLA](#) or [Chicago/Turabian](#)
- There are several online citation makers as well, including: [Easybib](#), [Citation Machine](#), [Scribbr](#)
 - If using an online citation generator, you will still need to double check your work and add an annotation describing what the source is and how you used it.

MLA Style Basics

What information do you need from your source to create your citation?

- Author(s)-Last, First.
- Title of Source-*Italicized and Capitalized*
- Container-is your source inside of another source?
- Contributor- editor, illustrator, translator
- Version or Edition
- Number-volume or edition
- Publisher
- Date Published
- Location-page numbers, URL, physical location

Key:

Green = Must be in ALL citations

Yellow = Could be in a citation depending on the source

Purple = Correct Punctuation for your citation

What does the citation look like?

Author Last Name, First Name, *Title of the Book*, *Container Title*, Contributor Last Name, First Name, Version, Number, Publication Date Month Year, Location.

Examples:

Book:

McDonough, Yona Zeldis. *Who was Rosa Parks?* Grosset & Dunlap, 2010.

Website:

History.com Editors. "Rosa Parks." *History.com*, 9 Nov. 2009, www.history.com/topics/black-history/rosa-parks.

Newspaper Article:

Parks, Rosa. Rosa Parks Papers: Printed Matter, -2005; Newspapers; Mentioning Parks; 1971 to 1977. - 1977, 1971. Manuscript/Mixed Material. Retrieved from the Library of Congress, <www.loc.gov/item/mss859430358/>.

Note: Three or more authors, editors, etc? List the **first author** (Last Name, First Name) and then **et.al.**

Chicago/Turabian Style Basics

What information do you need from your source to create your citation?

- Author(s)-Last, First.
- Title-
 - *Book Title Italicized*.
 - "Journal, article, etc. in quotation marks."
- Place of publication:
- Publisher
- Date Published.
- Location-page numbers, URL, physical location

Key:

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Purple = Correct Punctuation for your citation.

What does the citation look like?

Author Last Name, First Name, *Title of source*, Publisher, Date published.

Examples:

Book:

McDonough, Yona Zeldis. *Who was Rosa Parks?* Grosset. Yona Zeldis. 2010.

Website:

HISTORY. "Rosa Parks: Bus Boycott, Civil Rights & Facts," November 9, 2009. <https://www.history.com/topics/black-history/rosa-parks>.

Newspaper Article:

Parks, Rosa. Rosa Parks Papers: Printed Matter, -2005; Newspapers; Mentioning Parks; 1971 to 1977. - 1977, 1971. Manuscript/Mixed Material. <https://www.loc.gov/item/mss859430358/>.

Note: Two or more authors, editors, etc? List them in the order they appear on the source. (Last Name, First name, Last Name, First Name, and Last Name, First Name.)