

What is plagiarism?

How do you avoid it?

The dictionary definition of plagiarism is

“an act or instance of using or closely imitating the language and thoughts of another author without authorization and the representation of that author’s work as one’s own, as by not crediting the original author”.

Plagiarism can be avoided by documenting where you found your information and/or sourcing it within your writing. You can make a Works Cited page using the examples in this pamphlet.

Citation Management. Cornell

University Library, 2013.

Web. July 7, 2013.

"Plagiarism" *Dictionary.com*

Unabridged. Random House,

Inc. Web. July 7, 2013.

The Purdue OWL. Purdue U. Writing

Lab, 2010. Web. July 7, 2013.

IMPORTANT!

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For more examples for MLA format and information on citing information, visit:

<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/01/>

How to Create a Works Cited Page (or Bibliography) Using MLA Format

Also

How to Avoid Plagiarism in Your Writing



Books

Format:

Lastname, Firstname. *Title of Book*.

City of Publication: Publisher,

Year of Publication. Medium of

Publication.

Example:

Gleick, James. *Chaos: Making a New*

Science. New York: Penguin,

1987. Print.

Works of Art

Goya, Francisco. *The Family of Charles*

IV. 1800. Oil on canvas. Museo del

Prado, Madrid.

In a book:

Goya, Francisco. *The Family of Charles IV*. 1800.

Museo del Prado, Madrid. *Gardener's Art*

Through the Ages. 10th ed. By Richard G.

Tansey and Fred S. Kleiner. Fort Worth:

Harcourt Brace. 939. Print.

Periodical Articles

Format:

Author(s). "Title of Article." *Title of*

Periodical Day Month Year:

pages. Medium of publication.

Example:

Poniewozik, James. "TV Makes a

Too-Close Call." *Time* 20 Nov.

2000: 70-71. Print.

Citing Works in Text

- Give only enough information to identify the source (Ex: the author's last name and/or a page number).
- Place a parenthetical reference as close as possible to the source.
- Information in the parenthesis should not repeat information given in the text. (Ex: if you mention the author's name in the sentence, it is not needed in the parenthetical statement).
- The citation should precede the punctuation mark that concludes the sentence or phrase.

World Wide Web

Format:

Editor, author, or compiler name (if

available). *Name of Site*. Version

number. Name of institution/

organization affiliated with the

site (sponsor or publisher), date of

resource creation (if available).

Medium of publication. Date of

access.

Example:

Felluga, Dino. *Guide to Literary and*

Critical Theory. Purdue U, 28

Nov. 2003. Web. 10 May 2006.

REMEMBER!

- Make the first line even with the left margin
- The second line is indented
- Double space within and between each citation
- Put all citations in alphabetical order
- *Italicize* document titles
- Medium of Publication is Print or Web