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Examples

Book with one author.

Rowell, Rainbow. *Fangirl*. St. Martin's Griffin, 2013.

Essay from edited book (and corporate author)

US Department of Agriculture. “Poverty Impacts Rural Communities.” *Poverty in America*, edited by Tamara Thompson, Gale Cengage Learning, 2015, pp. 36-39.

Ebook

Abbate, Carolyn. *Unsung Voices: Opera and Musical Narrative in the Nineteenth Century*.

Princeton UP, 1991. ACLS Humanities

E-Book, hdl.handle.net/2027/heb.06245.0001.001.

Database article (and a source without an author)

"Great Awakening." *American Eras*. Vol. 2: The Colonial Era, 1600-1754. Gale, 1997. U.S.

History in Context. www.ic.galegroup.com/ic/uhic/ Accessed 25 Aug. 2016.

Entire website

* Usually, you'll use only part of a website (a section or article – see the next example). Only cite an entire website if you really did use all of it.

Occupational Outlook Handbook. United States, Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics,

www.bls.gov/ooh/. Accessed 23 August 2016.

Webpage article

Cush, Andy. "Hours After Brexit Vote, Leader of 'Leave' Movement Admits One Major Promise Was a Sham." *Gawker*, 24 June 2016, gawker.com/hours-after-brexit-vote-leader-of-leave-movementadm-1782570341. Accessed 23 August 2016.

Digital image

van Gogh, Vincent. *Starry Night*. 1889. *Wikimedia Commons*, commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:VanGogh-starry_night_ballance1.jpg. Accessed 23 August 2016.

Online video

Gage, Greg. "How to Control Someone Else's Arm with Your Brain." *TED Talks*, 28 Apr. 2015, www.youtube.com/watch?v=rSQNi5sAwuc. Accessed 23 August 2016.