

## MLA CITATION GUIDE

### WORKS-CITED SAMPLE ENTRIES:

#### **Book:**

Author Name                      Book Title                      City and Publisher      Date      Format  
Ishiguro, Kazuo. *The Remains of the Day*. Boston: Faber, 1989. Print.

#### **Article from a Scholarly Journal:**

Author Name                      Article Title                      Journal Title  
Hirota, Akiko. "The Tale of Genji: From Heian Classic to Heisei Comic." *Journal of Popular Culture* 31.2 (Fall 1997): 29-68. Print.

#### **Website:**

Editor Name                      Website Title                      Sponsor      Publish Date      Format      Access Date  
Willett, Perry, ed. *Victorian Women Writers Project*. Indiana U, Apr. 1997. Web. 16 Apr. 2009.

#### **Blog Post:**

Kincaid, Jason. "The Sorry State of Online Privacy." TechCrunch. n.p., 26 Apr. 2009. Web. 28 Apr. 2009.

#### **Full-text Article, Retrieved from an Online Database:**

Reider, Noriko T. "The Appeal of Kaidan Tales of the Strange." *Asian Folklore Studies* 59.2 (2000): 265-84. *Academic Search Premier*. Web. 6 Feb. 2002.

#### **Article from a Scholarly Journal (Online):**

Windholz, Anne M. "An Emigrant and a Gentleman: Imperial Masculinity, British Magazines, and the Colony That Got Away." *Victorian Studies* 42.4 (1999/2000): 631-58. Project Muse. Web. 27 Feb. 2002.

## **IN-TEXT CITATIONS:**

### **For Exact Quotations:**

**Rule:** When a quotation runs no more than four lines, put it in quotes, incorporate the author into the text, and provide the page number in a parenthetical citation.

"He was obeyed," writes Joseph Conrad of the company manager in *Heart of Darkness*, "yet he inspired neither love nor fear, nor even respect" (87).

**Rule:** When the author's name does not appear in the signal phrase, place the author's name and the page number(s) in the parenthetical citation.

"If the existence of a signing ape was unsettling for linguists, it was also startling news for animal behaviorists" (Davis 26).

### **For Paraphrased Ideas:**

**Rule:** When paraphrasing where the author(s) is clearly identified in your text, provide only the page number in the parenthetical citation.

Others, like Jakobson and Smith, hold the opinion that children who attend pre-school are better socially adjusted than those who do not (156).

**Rule:** When paraphrasing where author(s) is not clearly identified in your text, provide author(s) and page number in the citation.

Between 1968 and 1988, television coverage of presidential elections changed dramatically (Hallin 5).