

Preparing Your Works Cited Page

PURPOSE: A prime purpose of a citation is intellectual honesty; to attribute to other authors the ideas they have previously expressed, rather than give the appearance to the work's readers that the work's authors are the creators or researchers of the ideas.

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A WORKS CITED AND A BIBLIOGRAPHY? A works cited page is a page that shares all the sources you cited in your paper, in a footnote, parenthetical, etc. A bibliography is a page that cites all the sources you just referenced, but not necessarily cited.

WHAT ARE THE STEPS TO THE WORKS CITED PAGE?

1. Place a full heading on the top of your page.
2. Center the title, *Works Cited*, on the title line.
3. Alphabetize each entry on the page. Double space if typing.
4. Indent after the first line of each entry. An entry represents one source. This is called THE HANGING INDENT.
5. Follow the MLA rules exactly. Use the reference sheet if necessary.

WHAT SHOULD NOT BE ON A WORKS CITED PAGE?

1. Bulleting or numbering entries.
2. Adding extra spaces between entries.
3. N.D. or N.P. or any "n"s from EasyBib. These are red flags. Do your due diligence and go back to the source to SEEK out the information. If there still is no information, ask yourself whether the source is truly credible. If the answer is yes, then you may include the n.p. or n.d.

SAMPLE WORKS CITED

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