

Bibcard Cheat Sheet - History

HELPFUL HINTS:

- No author for your source? Start your bib card with the article title.
- Abbreviations: No date of publication? Write n.d. No publisher? Write n.p. Vol.= Volume ed. = edition Ed. = Editor

DATABASES:

(Ex. A Magazine article / Journal article / Newspaper article / Book / Reference Source published in a database)

Book or Reference Source in a Database

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Title of Section." *Title of Book: Subtitle of Book*. Editor. Edition. Volume. Place of Publication: Publisher, Year. Pages. *Name of Database*. **Web**. Date of access.

Examples

Gale Virtual Reference Library

"Funny is Funny." *Adam Sandler*. Ed. Dwayne Epstein. San Diego: Lucent, 2004. 20-25. *Gale Virtual Reference Library*. **Web**. 01 Apr. 2012.

Facts On File

Besemer, Glen. "Panama Canal." *Encyclopedia of American History: The Emergence of Modern America, 1900 to 1828*. Ed. Elizabeth Faue. 2nd ed. Vol. 7. New York: McGraw, 2012. *American History Online*. **Web**. 01 Sept. 2012.

Possible Names of Databases: *American History Online, American Indian History Online, US Government Online*, etc.

Magazine

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Article Title." *Title of Magazine*. Date of Publication: Pages. *Name of Database*. **Web**. Date of access.

Example:

Gale – In Context

Bailey, Ronald. "A Beautiful Oil Spill." *Reason*. Aug.-Sept. 2012: 50. *Gale Opposing Viewpoints in Context*. **Web**. 20 Mar. 2012.

Possible Names of Databases: *Gale Opposing Viewpoints in Context, Gale Biography in Context, Gale US History in Context, Gale Student Resources in Context*

Journal Article in a Database

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Article Title." *Title of Journal*. Date of Publication OR Volume. Issue (Year): Pages. *Name of Database*. **Web**. Date of access.

Example:

EBSCOhost

Douglas, Kate. "Just Like Us." *New Scientist*. 194. 2606 (2007): 46-49. *MAS Ultra - School Edition*. **Web**. 20 Feb. 2012.

Possible Names of Databases: *Points of View Reference Center, Student Research Center, Middle Search Plus*

Newspaper Article in a Database

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Article Title." *Title of Newspaper*. Date of Publication, Edition: Pages. *Name of Database*. **Web**. Date of access.

Example:

SIRS

Shaughnessy, Deb. "Tighten Abortion Rules?" *Detroit Free Press*. 14 June 2012: A16. *SIRS Issues Researcher*. **Web**. 20 Jan. 2012.

Possible Database Titles: *SIRS Researcher, SIRS Discoverer*

DATABASES WITH ARTICLES THAT ARE ORIGINAL CONTENT:

(An original content article is an article written specifically for that database, never published anywhere else)

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Article Title." *Name of Database*. Database Publisher. Date of publication.
Web. Date of Access.

Examples

Groliers

Kelley, Patricia H., and Thor A. Hansen. "Extinction." *The New Book of Knowledge*. Grolier Online, 2012. **Web.** 20 June. 2012.

Possible Names of Databases: *The New Book of Knowledge, Encyclopedia Americana, America the Beautiful, Lands and Peoples*

ABC CLIO

"Prohibition." *American History*. ABC-CLIO, 2012. **Web.** 20 Oct. 2012.

Possible Names of Databases: *American History, World History: Modern Era, Pop Culture Universe, Issues*

BOOKS – WRITTEN BY ONE OR MORE AUTHORS

One Author

Author Last Name, First Name. *Book Title*. City of Publication: Publisher, Copyright year. **Print.**

Two Authors

Author's Last Name, First Name, and First Name Last Name. *Book Title*. City of Publication: Publisher, Copyright Year.
Print.

Three or More Authors

First Author's Last Name, First Name, et al. *Book Title*. City of Publication: Publisher, Copyright Year. **Print.**

Examples

Kissinger, Henry. *White House Years*. Boston: Penguin, 1999. **Print.**

Emmerson, John K., and James M. Holland. *The Eagle and the Rising Sun: America and Japan in the Twentieth Century*. Philadelphia: Addison-Wesley, 1998. **Print.**

Boffey, Philip M., et al. *Claiming the Heavens: Complete Guide to the Star War Debate*. New York: Times, 2003.
Print.

BOOKS – DIFFERENT ARTICLES WRITTEN BY DIFFERENT AUTHORS

Book with Many Articles, Many Authors

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Article Title." *Title of Book*. Ed. Editor First Name Last Name. City of Publication: Publisher, Copyright Date. Page Numbers of Article. **Print.**

Example:

Alexander, Dan. "Labeling Rock Music Leads to Repression." *Culture Wars*. Ed. Fred Whitehead. San Diego: Greenhaven, 2009. 194-199. **Print.**

PRIMARY SOURCE WITHIN A SECONDARY SOURCE

Author of Primary Source Last Name, First Name. "Primary Source Title." *Title of Secondary Source* by Author of Secondary Source. Publication City: Publisher, Copyright Year. Pages. **Print.**

Example:

Jefferson, Thomas. "Declaration of Independence." *The American Nation* by Paul Boyer. Austin: Holt, Rinehart and Winston, 1995. 120-121. **Print.**