There is a formula for any type of source that you would like to use. The On-Line Writing Lab (OWL) at Purdue is a great place to look for MLA formulas (http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/01/).

**Citing Selections from Your U.S. Literature Book**

**We have decided to follow the formula for pieces from an anthology. NOTE: If you are using information from the Historical Background section, you will cite it like a book.**

Author(s) of original piece (Last name, First name). "Title of Work." *Title of Collection*. Author’s/Editor’s Name(s). Place of Publication: Publisher, Year. Page range of entry. Medium of Publication.

Twain, Mark. “The Notorious Jumping Frog of Calaveras County.” *The Language of Literature: American Literature*. Arthur Applebee, et al. Evanston, IL: McDougal Littell, 2006. 680-683. Print.

**Citing Information from Your U.S. History Book**

**If you’re using information from the textbook itself, this follows the formula for a book with more than three authors. NOTE: If you’re using primary source materials from the book, you need to follow the directions for citing primary sources.**

Author(s) (Last name, First name). *Book Title.* Place of Publication: Publisher, Year of publication. Medium of Publication.

Danzer, Gerald A., et al. *The Americans: Reconstruction through the 20th Century.* Evanston, IL: McDougall Littell, 2009. Print.

**Citing Primary Sources—Simplified**

**Citing a primary source requires you to give credit to the original pieces as well as the source in which you found the piece. NOTE: Primary sources can include poems and short stories, diaries, maps, legal documents, photographs.**

Book

Author(s) of original piece (Last Name, First Name). "Title of Original Piece." Year the original piece was written. Author(s) of the source in which you found the piece (Last name, First name). *Book Title.* Place of Publication: Publisher, Year of publication. Page range of entry. Medium of Publication.

Sieyes, Emmanuel Joseph. "What is the Third Estate?" 1789. Sherman, Dennis, ed. *Western Civilization: Sources, Images, and Interpretations*.  Boston: McGraw Hill, 2000. 162-163. Print.

Internet

Author(s) of original piece (Last Name, First Name). "Title of Original Piece." Year the original piece was written. Author(s) of the website (Last Name, First Name). “Article Title.” *Title of Website.* Name of any institution or sponsoring organization, Date site published or last updated. Medium of Publication. Date site accessed. <Full URL>.

“Visa Application of U.S. State Department, Visa Division, January 1943.” 1943. WGBH. “America and the Holocaust.” *The American Experience*. PBS, 2009. Web. 20 Feb. 2010.

 < http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/amex/holocaust/filmmore/reference/primary/barvisa2.html>.

Special Note-- U.S. Constitution and The Declaration of Independence. Because these documents are considered to be so well known, they do not get an entry in the Works Cited page. While the names of these documents must be capitalized, they do not need to have quotation marks or italics.

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