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Publisher, Year of Publication. Medium of Publication.

**Book with One Author**

Gleick, James. *Chaos: Making a New Science*. New York:

Penguin, 1987. Print.

Henley, Patricia. *The Hummingbird House*. Denver: MacMurray,

1999. Print.

**Book with More Than One Author**

The first given name appears in last name, first name format; subsequent author names appear in first name last name format.

Gillespie, Paula, and Neal Lerner. *The Allyn and Bacon*

*Guide to Peer Tutoring*. Boston: Allyn, 2000. Print.

**Important Note on the Use of URLs in MLA**

MLA no longer requires the use of URLs in MLA citations. Because Web addresses are not static (i.e., they change often) and because documents sometimes appear in multiple places on the Web (e.g., on multiple databases), MLA explains that most readers can find electronic sources via title or author searches in Internet Search Engines.

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Aristotle. *Poetics*. Trans. S. H. Butcher. *The Internet Classics Archive*. Web Atomic and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 13 Sept. 2007. Web. 4 Nov. 2008. ‹http://classics.mit.edu/›.

Recommended Reliable Sources for Research

1. <http://www.ipl.org/> Search your person of study (most helpful for historic figures and not more modern celebrities)
2. <http://www.FactMonster.com/people.html> Search for your person of study by the search box, or look them up by last name. Select “encyclopedia” when the search is done, and record the article information on your research page.
3. <http://www.biography.com/> Find information on nearly every infamous person in history. Includes photos and video clips as well.
4. <http://www.notablebiographies.com/> The encyclopedia of world biographies