15.17: MLA Works Cited Entries

Learning Objectives

- Successfully create and identify appropriate MLA Works Cited entries

**Figure 1.** MLA formatting requires you to think about your source on the whole and pick out all of the appropriate pieces to include in the container.
Figure 2. You use two containers if the source you are using is part of a larger source, such as a poem within an anthology, a series within a T.V. show, or a journal within a database.

Focus on the Core Elements

Note that you do not need to memorize every step of this process, but should take this opportunity to understand how citations are created. (You will likely use some kind of citation generator to do this work for you, but you will need a general familiarity so that you can know what information to plug into that citation generator and so that you can understand how to double-check the citation generator’s inevitable mistakes.) You can always return to this page, to the MLA handbook, the MLA Style Center, or to other online resources to help you create the citations you need for your paper.

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transcript for "MLA Style, 8th Edition: An Introduction" here (opens in new window).
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