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Electronic PDF article from database with DOI	Kong, Les. "Business Sources for Education Majors." <i>Education Graduate Students Journal</i> , vol. 75, no. 4, 2014, pp. 12-19. <i>JSTOR</i> , https://doi.org/egs.47.2014/stable/52506788 .
Electronic from database with DOI, three or more authors	Zhang, Xiwen, et al. "Affirmative Action and California Education." <i>Excellence and Equity in Education</i> vol. 12, no. 2, Oct. 2009. <i>Academic Search Premier</i> , https://doi.org/12.5896/eee.2015.0057 .
Electronic article from a Web site, lacking pagination	Magedanz, Stacy. "Psychology of Louisiana Libraries." <i>Mother Jones Magazine</i> May/June 1999, motherjones.com/magazine/issues/89545/ .
YouTube video	"Settlement Construction in <i>Fallout 4</i> and Public City Management." <i>YouTube</i> , uploaded by Lisa Bartle, 20 July 2016, www.youtube.com/watch?v=LR4T-sYYZq .
Journal article with two authors	Bartle, Lisa, and Bonnie Petry. "Information Competency Programs in the CSU System." <i>Journal of Higher Education</i> , vol. 32, no. 3, fall 2013, pp. 33-52.
Newspaper article (no author, discontinuous pages)	"Self-Esteem Linked to Regular Exercise." <i>Coyote Express</i> , 2 Jan. 2016, pp. A3+.

Print Books and Online Books

Author(s). *Book Title*. Edition, vol. #, Who published, year.

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Book	Tschabrun, Susan. <i>African History Resources on the Continent</i> . 2 nd ed., Divine P, 1995.
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Edited Book	McDonald, Jane P., editor. <i>Anthology of Librarianship</i> . Hippie P, 2006.
Book chapter (with editors)	Vassilakos-Long, Jill. "Effective Use of Government Documents." <i>Collected Essays on Library Resources</i> . Edited by Cesar Caballero and Buckley Barrett, Library Press International, 1999, pp. 135-48.
E-book	Tschabrun, Susan. <i>African History Resources on the Continent</i> . 2 nd ed., Divine P, 1995. <i>Google Books</i> , books.google.com/books?isbn=1139464248 .

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Townsend believes that Medieval Europe was a place both of "raids, pillages, slavery, and extortion" and of "traveling merchants, monetary exchange" (58).

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