



MLA 8th Edition Cheat Sheet

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1. No need to add the format, e.g. Print, Web
2. No need to add access date for articles from a database – just websites
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6. Add URLs for websites but remove the http://
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