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Library Guide

MLA Format For Traditional & Online Newspaper Sources

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6. Section letter (if available) page numbers (s).

Sample:

1. Markoff, John.
2. "The Voice on the Phone."
3. Star Ledger
4. [Newark].
5. 21 Jun. 1998:
6. A37.

Example on bibliography page:

Markoff, John. "The Voices on the Phone." Star Ledger [Newark]. 21 Jun. 1998: A37.

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Information you need:

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2. "Article Title."
3. Newspaper Name
4. Date published.
5. # of pages/paragraphs/sections (if numbered)
6. Date visited.
7. <full electronic address>.

Sample:

1. Markoff, John.
2. "The Voice on the Phone."
3. New York Times on the Web
4. 21 Jun. 1998.
5. 6 pars.
6. 25 Jun. 1998
7. <<http://www.nytimes.com/library/tech/98/06/biztech/articles/21voice.html>>.

Example on bibliography page:

Markoff, John. "The Voices on the Phone." New York Times on the Web 21 Jun. 1998. 6 pars.
25 June 1998 <<http://www.nytimes.com/library/tech/98/06/biztech/articles/21voice.html>>.

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Sample:

1. Markoff, John.
2. "The Voice on the Phone."
3. Medical Tribune
4. 21 Jun. 1998.
5. N/A
6. 25 Jun. 1998
7. <<http://www.medscape.com/>>.

Example on bibliography page:

Markoff, John. "The Voices on the Phone." Medical Tribune 21 Jun. 1998.
25 June 1998 <<http://www.medscape.com/>>.

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Markoff, John. "The Voices on the Phone." New York Times 21 Jun. 1998: A37. PA Research I. Proquest. Miller Lib., La Plume, PA. 25 Jun. 1998 <<http://www.proquest.com/pqdauto>>.

Newspaper available through : MasterFILE Premiere

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1. Markoff, John.
2. "The Voice on the Phone."
3. New York Times
4. 21 Jun. 1998:
5. A37.
6. MasterFILE Premiere
7. EBSCO.
8. PA POWER Lib.
9. 25 Jun. 1998
10. <<http://search.epnet.com>>.

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