Sample Citations in MLA and APA Styles

Curriculum Materials Center

The following are some examples of sources found in the Curriculum Materials Center or resources often cited by teacher education candidates. Examples for MLA Style are listed first and then examples for APA Style. For further information, consult the manuals listed at the end of this guide or consult a reference librarian.

MLA STYLE

Books

Picture Books


Electronic Books

Articles in Familiar Reference Books

Print

Electronic Reference Book

Works in Anthologies

Essays

Poems

Reprinted Articles

Journal Articles

Magazine Articles

Electronic Journal Articles

Electronic Magazine Articles

Book Reviews (Print)

Electronic Book Review

Lesson Plan from the Web

DVDs

*Families of Costa Rica*. Arden Films/Master Communications, 2008. DVD.
**Sound Recordings**


**Games, Kits**


*Know Your body Grade 1 Kit*. Kendall Hunt, 2006. Kit.

**Charts/Prints**


APA STYLE

Books

Picture Books


Electronic Books

Articles in Reference Books

Article in Electronic Reference Books

Works in Anthologies

Essays

Poems

Reprinted Articles

Magazine Articles
Journal Articles

Electronic Magazine Articles

Electronic Journal Articles

Book Review (Print)

Book Review (Electronic)

Other Examples
Lesson Plan from the Web

DVDs
*Families of Costa Rica* [DVD]. United States: Arden Films/Master Communications.


Sound Recordings


Games, Kits

Prints

For additional information, see the following manuals located in the Reference Department or consult a reference librarian:


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