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## MLA In-Text Citation Cheat Sheet

Citing situation	Examples
When you <b>do NOT mention the author's name in your sentence</b> , the Author's name and page number are placed in parentheses at the end of your sentence.	One researcher has found that dreams move backward in time as the night progresses (Dement 71).
When you <b>mention the author's name in your sentence</b> , the page number is placed in parentheses at the end of the sentence.	Freud states that "a dream is the fulfillment of a wish" (154).
When you cite <b>more than one work by the same author</b> :	One current theory emphasizes the principle that dreams express "profound aspects of personality" (Foulkes, "Sleep" 184).  But investigation shows that young children's dreams are "rather simple and unemotional" (Foulkes, "Dreams" 78).
When the work has <b>two or three authors</b> :	Psychologists hold that no two children are alike (Gesell and Ilg 68).
<b>When the work has more than three authors</b> , use the Latin term "et al" which means "and others" after the first author's last name.	Child psychology is not a new field, but it is a difficult one due to the nature of the subjects (Rosenberg et al. 14).
When the work has <b>NO AUTHOR</b> , begin with the first few words of the citation as it will appear alphabetized in your Work Cited page at the end of your paper.	Random testing for use of steroids by athletes is facing strong opposition by owners of several of these teams ("Steroids" 22).
<b>When you quote or paraphrase a quotation from a book or article that appeared somewhere else</b> :	Bacon observed that "it is hardly possible at once to admire an author and to go beyond him" (qtd. in Guibroy 113).
<b>When you are citing several sources for a single passage</b> :	There are negative implications to computerizing commercial art (Parker 2; "Art Nonsense" 43).
<b>When you paraphrase a whole passage or several passages</b> , begin your citation with the author's or article's name and end it with the page number:	According to Brown, every time you read an essay, you are preparing to write one. Therefore, you should pay careful attention to content and form (9).